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LEFORGEE & CO. VS. RISLEY

A Suit in the Circuit Court to Recover an Insurance Premium—Jury Secured and the Case Now on Trial

The case of J E Osborne, administrator for the estate of Charles Reed a brakeman which was on trial in the circuit court was decided today The Wabash won the case Mr Osborne as administrator was suing for damages for the death of Reed Just before noon today the case was finished and the court instructed to find for the defendant The jury retired and in a few minutes returned their verdict being that the defendant was not guilty

The next case taken up was that of Jesse Leforgee and John E Patterson, as the firm of Leforgee & Company vs A T Risley The defendant held a mortgage on the Dougherty hotel The property was purchased by another man and Leforgee & Company wrote the insurance on the building The plaintiffs claim that th mortgage guaranteed that the premium on the insurance would be paid The firm were unable to collect the premium and they now hold Mr Risley responsible. The defendants claim that he is not responsible for the payment of the premium The jurors secured who are hearing the case are as follows E P Brewer, W W Knipple Joe Proctor, A J Cook Manford Beckham, Frank Crum, A Bassler H Brennan John H Combs, John Gauer R A Miller and James Cook

THE WOMAN'S EXCHANGE.

A Splendid Showing for the Past Year —Money Ahead.

The members of the board of the Woman's Exchange met at the home of Mrs A T Hill yesterday morning The annual report was made and the annual election of the members of the board was held

The exchange was founded as a charity organization and is supported by the care managers It is under the supervision of Miss Lulu Jones who is assisted by Miss Madge Horine Through the efforts of Miss Jones the exchange has for the past few years been self supporting and this year an unusually good showing was made and after the expenses of the year has been paid there remains a surplus of nearly ... This will go to the general fund for the support of the exchange

There are between 20 and 30 contributors ... of the contributors living ... on the income thus obtained

STATEMENT

The following is the report of the receipts beginning with April 1 1897 and ending with March 1, 1898

Sales $4 103 32 subscriptions $12 50 other resources $86 17 money borrowed $40 total $4243 49

EXPENDITURES

To contributors $3 316 17, rent $170 salaries $...08 lunch $99 77 paid loan of $41 and debt of 1896 of $125 sundries $1 11 48 total $4219 42, balance on hand $24 07

The members of the board elected for the coming year were Mrs A T Hill Mrs W B Hostetler Mrs John Armstrong Mrs Brasie, Mrs A W Conklin, Mrs T L Antrim Mrs D C Shockley, Mrs R P Lytle Mrs Henry Elwood

The officers for the coming year will be elected at the next meeting

A Fire Alarm.

About 1 o'clock this afternoon the fire department was called to the Leiby residence at the southwest corner of Franklin and North streets Sparks from a chimney had set fire to the shingle roof on a brick building near the house The blaze was easily extinguished and the damage was slight

There is no use weeping over yesterday's grievances if you wish to enjoy today's blessings

NOT ANY WAR NEWS

All is Quiet at All Important Points.

UNCLE SAM ALERT

Office of Lieutenant General of the Army to be Revived.

Brief Notes from Havana City—Parker Thinks That There Will Be War—More Boats in Commission.

Washington March 10 —The senate committee on military affairs today decided to recommend the passage of a bill authorizing the revival of the grade of lieutenant general of the army The bill authorizes the president to nominate any officer to this grade The bill is in the interest of General Miles

SENATE

Senator Chandler introduced a bill for the remission of duties on war materials imported The committee on military affairs reported favorably the joint resolution to revive the grade of lieutenant general The report was not unanimous

HOUSE

After the transaction of some minor business the house went into committee the whole on the senate amendment to the Indian appropriation bill Pending the ... on the motion of Eddy ... of Colorado the house concurred in free home clause placed in the bill

WAGES RESTORED

Assistant Secretary Meiklejohn made an order restoring the wages of employes of the arsenal at Rock Island, Ill, to rates existing prior to December 1 1897 The reductions when made caused great commotion in labor circles, being represented that the cut had had a most depressing effect on the entire labor market of the west The restoration is at the request of Illinois representatives in congress, after a conference between Secretary Meiklejohn and Captain Blunt, in charge of the arsenal today

APPOINTMENTS

The president today nominated H. J Finderank of Iowa secretary of the legation at Santiago, Chili and a number of army and navy officers for promotion, to include Lieutenant Colonels E B Wilson of the Third artillery and William Sinclair of the Fifth artillery to be colonels

CALHOUN

The senate committee on interstate commerce agreed to recommend the confirmation of Hon W J Calhoun of Illinois to be interstate commerce commissioner There was no opposition

Events of the Day.

Washington, March 10 —Secretary Alger said at the conference with the executive officers that the Bethlehem Iron Co, which has the contract to deliver the government 100 heavy rifled cannon, had arranged to have the work rushed in case of an emergency

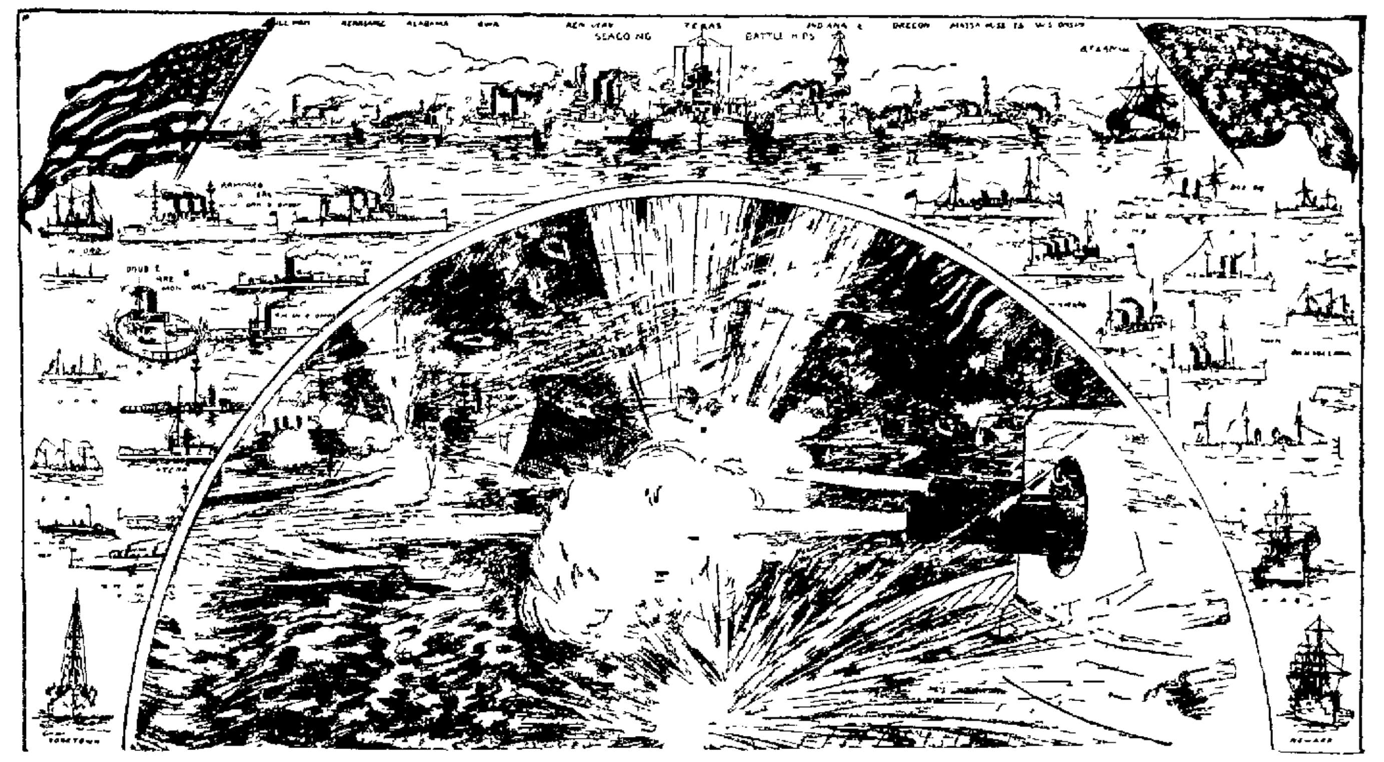
Secretary Long conferred with President Griscom of the American Line steamers as to the details of the government use of his vessels as auxiliary cruisers if it should become necessary

A number of cablegrams were received today from naval attaches abroad relative to war ships under construction and on the subject of the purchase by the United States That the published statement that Great Britain had prohibited the purchase of any ships by the United States is untrue and an assurance that our representatives are making satisfactory progress in securing options on desirable vessels The British ambassador was a caller at the state department today, this being diplomatic day Whether the visit is of more than ordinary significance is not known

Bernabe the new Spanish minister, arrived today and proceeded to the legation Later arrangements were made for his presentation to Secretary Sherman tomorrow

THE WAR SHIPS WE DEPEND ON.

Huge Battleships, Swift Cruisers, Invulnerable Monitors, Powerful Rams, Gunboats, Dispatch Boats and Torpedo Boats Comprising the Majority of the Vessels in the New Navy Built by the United States Within the Last Ten Years—In the Midst of a Naval Engagement Seen from the Deck of a Monitor.



POSITION OF UNCLE SAM

Chicago, March 10 —The Journal's Washington special says: Intervention will take the form of recognition of Cuban independence. Justice Harlan advised this course instead of direct intervention.

Congressmen at Havana.

Havana, March 10 —The American yacht Anita, with the congressional party, arrived today

Parker on the Outlook.

New York, March 10 —The Evening World's Key West special quotes Col M M Parker of Washington, who accompanied Senator Proctor on the Cuban trip, as saying 'Every one in Havana now knows that the Maine was blown up Spaniards no longer deny it They do not seem to be very sad over it either Are we going to have war? Well if we don't I shall be surprised "

The Chief.

Charleston S C, March 10 —The tug Underwriter with the big derrick Chief left this morning for Havana She put in here several days ago for repairs

Blanco on Cuba.

Madrid, March 10 —At yesterday's meeting of the cabinet Senor Moret, minister of the colonies, read a dispatch from General Blanco, saying the situation in Cuba had improved

In Commission.

Philadelphia March 10 —The monitors Manitonomoh and Ramkatahdin were placed in commission this afternoon

IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

Put to the Government in the English House of Commons,

London, March 10 —In the house of commons today Hon Hubert Valentine Duncombe, Conservative, will ask the government whether, with a view of recognizing the identity of interests of all English speaking people, the government will consider the advisibility of placing the services of the British fleet at the disposal of the United States, in the event of complications between the United States and any foreign power. Ronald Munro-Ferguson, Liberal, will ask the question of the government as to whether there is any truth in the reports that communication on the Cuban question has been exchanged between the British ambassador at Washington and the government of the United States

The parliamentary secretary of the foreign office, Curon, in response to the question in the house of commons said that no communication on the Cuban question had been exchanged between the British ambassador at Washington and the government of the United States It is expected that the qustion whether, in view of the recognition of the interests of all English speaking people the British government will consider the advisability of placing the services of the British fleet at the disposal of the United States, in the event of complications of the United States and any foreign power will not be put

MONEY IN THE STRONG BOX.

No Need of Borrowing Cash or Issuing Bonds to Get $50,000,000.

Washington, March 10 —The $50,000,000 appropriated by congress for the national defense can be taken from the treasury without serious inconvenience The fact that the treasury is able to spare this is a source of universal gratification to Republicans The amount could not be taken from the treasury without an issue of bonds to secure more if the situation in the big government bank was the same as when the Wilson bill was in operation Secretary Gage some time ago estimated that he could spare $75 000,000 for immediate war purposes, and have enough available cash left to safely conduct the business of the nation He can spare nearly all of this in gold, too The net gold in the treasury is more than $168,500 000 of which $100,000,000 is the historical gold reserve, leaving over $68 000,000 of the precious yellow metal which can be paid out for foreign warships or whatever the country needs abroad that requires gold for payment This state of affairs is particularly fortunate If the supply of gold in the treasury had been small the purchase of war vessels abroad might have rendered a bond issue necessary to secure gold Probably this healthy condition of the country in the possession of gold had much to do with President McKinley's sanctioning the appropriation of $50,000,000 Secretary Gage is being congratulated upon this state of affairs

Not only is the supply of gold the largest since 1890, but treasury officials believe that the amount will continue to increase in the face of war preparations and the general belief that a conflict is imminent Europe still owes this country a balance in gold, and several millions are now on the way here in exchange for American products. This will find its way into the gold reserve There is nothing to cause gold to go to Europe for months yet, unless it is the purchase of war vessels

Treasury officials say that they see no probability of any kind of a run on the gold reserve They also see no reason why gold should be hoarded Any attempt to start a run on the gold reserve would be denounced in such terms as to put a stop to it

THE OLD STORY.

Little Child Swallowed Concentrated Lye To-Day.

This afternoon Frank Showers aged two years son of Mr and Mrs Al Showers, swallowed a large quantity of concentrated lye while the mother was washing Dr Hell was called and found the child's mouth tongue and throat badly burned He may recover

State Officers Chosen-

On last Monday evening, March 7 the United American Mechanics met in Peoria to organize a local council and on Tuesday morning were again called together to organize a state council for which the following officers were elected for the next year

Jr Ex Councilor—E I J Walther, No 5, Chicago, Ill

Councilor—J W Fish, No 1, Peoria Ill

Vice Council—John Arrisman, No 6 Jacksonville, Ill

Secretary—W H Gibbs No 8 Galva Ill

Treasurer—J H Culver, Galesburg, No 10

Examiner—Samuel Funk, No 12, Decatur, Ill

Inside Protector—J W Perkins, No 7 Kewanee, Ill

Outside Protector—W E Byers No 10, Galesburg Ill

Delegates to National Council—One year, W E Campbell, No 5, Chicago two years E M Harbaugh, No 11 Springfield, Ill three years, H O Sprigston No 1, Peoria

Lammert-McGrew

Decatur friends of the bride have received invitations to be present at the marriage of Miss B Myrtle McGrew, daughter of George L McGrew and Albert Bonds Lambert The marriage will take place at St Peter's church on Wednesday, March 23 at St Louis

British Cruiser Moving.

Hong Kong, March 10 —The British first class cruiser Edgar has been ordered to Manilla It is believed that this is due to further activity on the part of the insurgents in the Phillipine Islands

C. A. Kupfer has begun a $10,000 damage suit against Adolph L Rienhardt in Logan county circuit court, not specifying the charges

When Antichrist appears in the world what will be the hardest thing for him to understand?

Don't forget that the man who shakes hands the hardest is always the hardest to shake

If you sing while making bread, you will cry before it is eaten

What is the worst bestowed charity that one could give?

AT THE ST. NICK.

Splendid Test of the Long Distance Telephone System.

A large number took advantage of the test service of the long distance telephone given by the American Telephone and Telegraph Co in connection with the Central Illinois long distance telephone service given at the parlors of the St Nicholas hotel this afternoon A connection was made with the main circuit by a metallic circuit laid under the carpet with 10 police telephones, which were arranged on tables 20 on each table and while one talked on the main circuit there were 40 interested listeners at the police receivers Connections were made with many of the large cities of the east and west and in almost every case the service worked perfectly Points at a distance of 2000 miles were called and a return made in five minutes The exhibit was made under the direction of A L Tetu, superintendent of the Central Illinois Telephone Co and Grenville Howard of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co of St Louis A similar exhibit will be made at the Decatur club this evening for the members of the club and their friends and tomorrow the service will be publicly tested at the parlors of the Beardsley hotel at Champaign with Messrs Tetu and Howard in charge

3,000 MILES AWAY.

Resolution of Sympathy Passed by Hawaiian Legislature—Proposition

Honolulu, March 10 —The Hawaiian legislature adopted a joint resolution of sympathy with the United States over the loss of the Maine and crew and ordered the flag over the executive building at half mast T H Davies, guardian of Princess Kaiulani, addressed an open letter to the Hawaiians proposing to abandon all hope of monarchy and make the republic conditioned on cessation of work for annexation The proposition was not well received either by the natives or by the Americans

The Kid Claims the Belt.

Indianapolis Ind March 10 —Kid McCoy has withdrawn the $5000 forfeit money placed with Richard K Fox when McCoy challenged Fitzsimmons and Corbett six weeks ago, and has announced himself the champion heavy weight pugilist of the world

Damaging Fire.

Omaha, Neb, March 10 —Fire this morning destroyed the Deadwood and Delaware smelter and considerable railroad property at Deadwood Loss about $150,000

Gold from Abroad

Liverpool, March 10 —The Majestic carried $2 500,000 in gold to New York today.

Mortuary.

London, March 10 —George Muller, the philanthropist, is dead.

RUSSIA'S WAR FUND

Royal Ukase Setting Aside Big Money.

NEAR $70,000,000

Evidently Preparing for Serious Conflict With Saucy Japan.

Death of Dr. Rogers, Head Modern Woodmen Physician at Omaha —A Foolish Tragedy in Pennsylvania Over a Love Affair.

St Petersburg, March 10 —The Imperial Ukase has just issued orders for the disbursement of 90 million rubles ($69,300,000) as an extraordinary expenditure for the construction of warships

Head Physician Dead.

Omaha Neb March 10 —Dr W O. Rodgers, the head physicians of the Modern Woodmen of the World, died this morning of rheumatism of the brain. He has been ill only a few days

DESPERATE YOUNG MEN.

Both In Love With Two Girls Figure in a Double Tragedy.

Lancaster Pa, March 10 —Roy Gherig of Milton Pa, shot and perhaps fatally wounded Will B Davis of St Clair Pa, at Millersville Pa, yesterday then killed himself The boys were both pupils at the business college at Philadelphia, both aged about 19 They went to Millersville Saturday to call on two young lady students at the Normal school and returned here last night and occupied the same room at the hotel Early in the morning several revolver shots were heard in their room and young Davis came running down stairs bleeding from three wounds Then another shot and a falling body were heard Young Gherig was found shot in the head and died without regaining consciousness He left a note saying that they were in love with Alice Cummings and Annie Helmes, who were avoiding them Therefore they decided to take their own lives Davis denies any compact to suicide It appears that Gherig was desperately in love with Miss Cummings and that he and Davis had a dispute over her, and it is supposed that he decided to kill his rival and himself and make it appear a double suicide

Cleveland Will Speak in Chicago.

New York March 10 —Ex President Cleveland has accepted an invitation of the Iroquois club to deliver an address at the Auditorium Chicago the afternoon of April 23 He will also respond to a toast in the evening at the club's banquet, which is to be a Sound Democratic and Sound Money demonstration Speeches will be made also by other men of national reputation

Meets Next Time in Quincy.

Rockford, Ill March 10 —The grand council Royal Arcanum closed its session last evening and selected Quincy as the place of the next meeting The order has gained 1131 new members in Illinois in the last year and its financial condition is greatly strengthened

The Queen.

Windsor, England March 10 —The queen started this afternoon for the south of France

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

Hon John Wanamaker is the candidate of the Business Men's League of Philadelphia, for governor of Pennsylvania

Dr Frank Bristol, the brilliant Methodist minister of Evanston, has been accepted as pastor of President McKinley's church at Washington He will enter upon his duties April 1.

General Rosencranz is near unto death at his home, 15 miles from Los Angeles, Cal.

The Illinois Art gallery is to be one of the features of the exposition at Omaha

THE EARL'S WEDDING.

BY Z. D. UNDERHILL.

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SYNOPSIS.

The Earl of Chester has sought the hand of Lady Helena Giffard, whom he has never seen. The old baron, Helena's father, gladly gives his consent, but not so Helena, who is in love with young Dagobert, an inmate of her father's castle. But Baron Giffard will listen to nothing but the marriage of his daughter with the earl. When the latter arrives to do his courting, it is evident that he is far more impressed with Helena's cousin, Eleanor, than with the woman he has come to woo. The earl's stay within the castle develops a strong love between him and Eleanor. The baron is angry at this and publicly announces the betrothal of Eleanor and Dagobert. The girls are unwilling to marry otherwise than as their hearts dictate, so with the help of their old nurse Eleanor devises a scheme to outwit the baron. It is agreed that Eleanor is to be the first married at the double wedding. The two girls are attired alike and heavily veiled. When the time comes for Eleanor to take her place beside Dagobert, the old nurse leads forth Lady Helena.

PART III.

Helena with a frightened murmur, and as if borne hopelessly on the current of the stronger will, again faced the company. She grasped tightly the hand of the serving woman, and followed by her cousin, was led rather than advanced to where her father stood. The old nurse laid her hand in his.

"The Lady Helena," she whispered in his ear, "holds to her wish that her cousin should be first wedded." The grizzled warrior nodded, took his daughter's hand into his own, and turning about placed it solemnly in Dagobert's.

"Into your hands I give her, Sir Squire," he said, solemly, "and may God so deal with you as you with her." Then stepping to one side he made way for the couple to advance toward the altar. Preceded and followed by pages strewing flowers, and with the voices of the priests and choir boys filling the chapel with sweet notes, they paced slowly up the aisle; Dagobert pale, desperate and determined, as a man who on some shipwrecked vessel has cast his last look on the fair world, and stands ready to sink with all his hopes and warm desires beneath the waters; while Helena, trembling and with bowed head, moved as one in a dream, who obeys a compelling force which she neither is able nor seeks to understand. Meanwhile the second bride had placed her hand also in that of the Baron Giffard, and, with some greater show of feeling, but in much the same words, he had in turn laid it in the outstretched palm of the Earl of Chester, who, with set lips and gloomy eyes, bent before his bride as he took her cold fingers in his own.

The sacrament was solemnized without let or hindrance, unless it be called such that when the bridegroom pronounced in a low but steady voice the words "I, Dagobert, take thee, Eleanor, for my wedded wife," the bride gave a sudden start, half lifted her head from its drooping posture, then seemed to check herself in the very act of looking up, and leaned for a moment against the little page who stood close at her side. But the bridegroom continued apathetically with his sacred pledges, and the lady recovered herself, stood erect, and in low tones repeated the vows. The ceremony was concluded, and the couple at the altar moved aside to give place to their successors. Chester extended his hand to his bride to lead her forward, but stared with surprise to see her turn from him. The Baron Giffard took a sudden step forward, the priest looked up in astonishment, as the veiled figure before them enquired softly.

"Is it well done, Sir Priest? Are they tightly tied? Or can the hand of man still loose the knot?"

"Nay, lady," responded the ecclesiastic solemnly. "The hand of Heaven alone can come between them. They are man and wife."

"Why this foolery?" demanded the Baron angrily. "Thy cousin and Dagobert are safe wedded. What boots it to ask such aimless questions?"

But the white draped figure still stood immovable.

"Lady," cried Chester in his turn, trying once more to take her hand, "let us leave questioning the priest till he hath served our turn also. Come on, and afterwards you shall have what time you will to inquire into the niceties of the marriage service. I trow they are fast bound enough to satisfy the most finicky."

"Nay, then," cried the lady in a clear, ringing voice; "if once they are fast bound I go not to the altar this morn. One wedding is enough for the day, as I trow you will all know, when you look on the bride!"

As she spoke she raised her veil, and all leant forward eagerly—to see the face of Eleanor behind the folds of lace. A sigh of astonishment breathed through the assemblage, then the Baron cried roughly to the first bride:

"Unveil."

Trembling she raised the lace from her features, and it was Helena who stood at Dagobert's side. A swift change passed over the faces of the three men. Dagobert grew whiter still, while he bent as if before a shrine and kissed his lady's hand. Chester's face went scarlet, as he turned and regarded the figure at his side, and the Baron Giffard for a moment turned purple with rage.

"Who has done this?" cried the old man, in tones that reechoed beneath the arches. His eyes shone fiercely, his face worked with wrath.

"Marry, that I have, uncle," replied Eleanor, in ringing notes to match his own.

"Ha, you shall be well paid for this, mistress," he cried, "but I cannot war with women. No man, at least, shall live to profit by such treachery. Heh! Sir Squire, you thought to take advantage of a woman's tricks," turning to where Dagobert stood at Helena's side, "but you shall rue it swiftly. Ho, my men!" he shouted to the troopers that stood in the rear of the chapel, "come hale me this miscreant forth, and cut him down so soon as he passes the gate. No living mortal shall boast he hath

TREMBLING SHE RAISED THE LACE FROM HER FEATURES.

tricked the Lord of Giffard. And you, fair daughter, that went so glibly through the speeches, shall be a widow before you well are wedded. Carry him forth, I say!"

As he spoke the troopers advanced, and Helena with a shriek fell at the Baron's feet.

"Nay, nay, father!" she cried convulsively. "Indeed I knew not what was forward till the service was half done, and then I dared not speak for fear of your wrath. Oh, father, have mercy!"

"Come on!" shouted the old man, without looking at the fragile form which clung to his knees. But the thunder tones of Chester rang through the chapel.

"What ho! My men-at-arms," he shouted. "To the rescue! To the rescue!" and the walls grew alive with armored men pressing forward to the altar.

Suddenly the priest raised his hand on high and spoke in low, stern notes that yet penetrated to the remotest corner.

"What means this clamor in the house of God?" he cried. "Who dares breathe here of battle and of murder? Giffard and Chester, hush your presumptuous speech. Nay, be still!" as the old man essayed to utter a word. "The voice of the priest alone shall be heard within these walls."

At his first words Helena had risen and clung to her new-made lord, one hand closed convulsively upon his arm, while he, with sword half drawn, stood ready to sell his life dearly. The priest turned towards them, his voice reverberating as he proclaimed solemnly, "What God hath joined together, let no man put asunder! I charge you, Lord of Giffard, to let these two, joined in holy wedlock, proceed scathless through your lands, whither they will. It is the Church that speaks through me; and he who dares to disobey her voice shall feel her vengeance to his everlasting hurt! And you, Earl of Chester, shall do due penance for presumptuous brawling in the house of God—yet shall it not be forgotten that you would have succored the oppressed and he your mortal foe. You, who came hither a bridegroom, go hence alone. May Heaven console you!"

But the earl, who bore no crestfallen face, pressed forward to interrupt the speaker.

"Nay, holy father, Heaven forbid it be so," he cried. "You yourself may right my wrongs if you will. See, here stands a fair bride beside me, and I may yet lead home a Countess of Chester, if you will but lend me your aid."

"I forbid the banns," shouted the infuriated baron. "She is my ward, and I refuse consent."

"Nay, uncle, I am over age, and have a right to do as I will. But there is little need of your speech," cried Eleanor, who had turned crimson with confusion. "I have no will to be any man's second choice. Thanks, my lord earl, but such an ending was no part of my mind. Belike you have heard the old saying, 'He that would not win when he might, he may not when he will.' I go as I come, a maid unplighted, and wish you a fairer and gentler Countess of Chester when next you go a wooing!"

"Nay, by God's body," exclaimed the earl, "but you escape me not so, mistress. Well you know whither my heart tempted me, and that 'twas but honor held me back. But you cannot mean to cast me off, lady! 'Tis scarce a week agone that love for me beat in your heart and shone in your eye. Is it pride pleads against me, and that you will not seem hastily won by a tardy wooer? Nay, if 'tis pride, will not this appease you?" And as he spoke he fell on both knees before her, and seizing her hand first kissed and then laid it on his head. "See!" he cried loudly, "Chester kneels to his queen, and sues for clemency. Nay," leaping again to his feet, and passing his arm swiftly about the damsel's waist, "I felt you tremble!"

"Come, Sir Priest, there is no time to lose. I warrant the Baron Giffard will give none of us shelter here, and we must be far on our way ere dark falls. Come, I say, waste no time. Penance can wait, but now we have need of haste!" As he spoke he had half carried Eleanor forward in the grasp of his powerful arm until they were before the altar. The priest gazed keenly at the lady.

"'Tis a curious wooing," he cried, "and an unwonted scene for holy church. Yet strange chances deserve strange treatment. Lady, what say you?"

But Chester answered loudly: "Nay, ask not her, ask me! Sure 'tis no time for a delicate maiden to be questioned thus before all this company. Proceed swiftly, as I bid you, and she will answer when needs must. 'Tis enough!"

The priest again looked searchingly at the bowed face of the damsel, but apparently what he found there only induced him to obey the earl's abrupt command, for he opened his book, and began to read the marriage service. The baron, followed by his retainers, strode out of the chapel as the first words fell upon the air, but all the rest of the assemblage remained to see the end of this strange ceremony. At the words: "Who giveth this woman to be married to this man?" Dagobert stepped forward and laid the bride's hand within the groom's. No sooner was the service concluded and the blessing spoken, than the two newly-wed couples made their way hastily to the courtyard of the castle. Chester's followers formed about them as they reached the open air, and the company presented more the appearance of a troop of soldiers awaiting battle than a wedding procession. The two grooms strode along with their eyes glancing from side to side, and their hands clapped to their swords, but no cause for such watchfulness manifested itself. The baron was not to be seen, and the castle court was bare, save for the sentries who held their customary march without turning to inspect the armed troop which drew up in the center of the open space while horses were brought from the great stables beneath the building. All mounted hastily, and thus did the two brides, with scarcely a word spoken, leave the home of more than twenty years, and ride out beside their new-made husbands into an untried world.

There remained only a bitter, infuriated old man, whose ambitions, hopes, and scanty affections were all crushed at one blow. He had not dared oppose force to the authority of the Church, but to the day of his death he never for-

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gave the Countess of Chester for the defeat which she had wrought to his schemes, and heard always with a sneer of ill-will of the growing splendor, prosperity and happiness which blessed the union of two such congenial natures. To his own daughter and his unwelcome son-in-law, however, his heart in time softened, for few there are who can by sheer force of will cut themselves loose from all bonds of human affection. Helena and Dagobert had returned with the Earl of Chester and his bride to their domain, and lived there for a time as honored and beloved guests. And when with the end of a year came the birth of a son, who must perforce be heir to his fierce grandfather, the Baron Giffard could hold out no longer, and sent an embassy to his child and her husband, assuring them of his forgiveness if they would but return and take their rightful place beneath his roof. Willingly did Helena's tender spirit pardon the wrong which had failed in its accomplishment, thanks to her cousin's wit and bravery, and when the heir to the Barony of Giffard was but half a year old he was carried back in state to his ancestral home, and there was the great solace, hope and delight of his grandfather's declining years.

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BENEFACTORS OF THE RACE,

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GENTLEMEN—I believe it my duty to write you a line in regard to the beneficial effect of Phelps' "Four C Remedy," so far as I am personal y concerned. A week ago last Thursday, I was taken with a severe attack of la grippe and in a short time became so hoarse I could not speak above a whisper. The night previous I coughed nearly the entire night, just before retiring I took a teaspoonful, and slept the entire night as sweetly as ever I did in my life, not coughing once. I was entirely relieved before taking one bottle. Phelps' Cough, Cold and Croup Cure should be in every household in the land. I send you this wholly unsolicited by any one, for you are benefactors of the race in giving it the antidote for some of the worst affections to which it is heir. Very truly yours,
C. J. NESBITT, Editor.

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Kansas City, Kansas, Dec. 21, '91.

"Last Friday, Dec. 19, my attending physician stated that unless I was better by morning he could do nothing for my relief. That night I commenced taking Phelps' "Four-C" Remedy, stopped all other medicines. The first dose stopped my cough; slept and rested well; a few more doses removed all soreness from my lungs; the second day I was up; the third day I was out on the porch and today was up town purchasing holiday goods.
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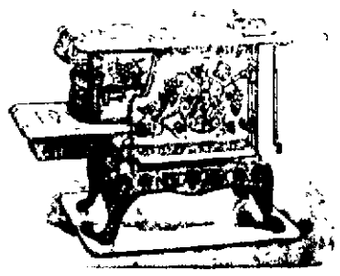

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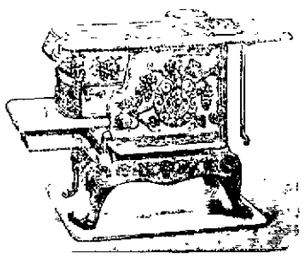

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LOCAL NEWS.

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Rev. W. E. King assisted Rev. A. M. Danely at the revival meeting which he has been holding and which closed last Tuesday night.

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Regular meeting of Coeur de Leon Lodge, Knights of Pythias at the hall in Powers' block tonight.

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Select one of those Reed & Son's pianos on sale at the C. B. Prescott music house and you will get a first class instrument. It is the favorite instrument.

Rev. R. G. Hobbs, who recently resigned his position as pastor of one of the Methodist churches at Jacksonville, will move with his family soon to Springfield, where they will make their home. Mr. Hobbs will devote all his time to missionary work and lecturing.

Years of suffering relieved in a night. Itching piles yield at once to the curative properties of Doan's Ointment. Never fails. Any drug store, 50c.

The revival services closed at Long Creek M. E. church Tuesday night. The congregations were good and the church was greatly blessed. Quite a number were converted and added to the church. On Sabbath the 20th inst, the W F. M. society will hold their thank offering at this church at 10:30 a. m.

Quinoria is guaranteed to cure chills, fever and all malarial disorders. No cure, no pay.

At La Place.

Willard Memorial service at Asbury Sunday morning, March 13th. Quarterly meeting services at La Place Friday night, the 18th inst., Saturday 19th, at 2 and 7 p. m., and Sunday, 20th, morning and night. All welcome.

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Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonial free.

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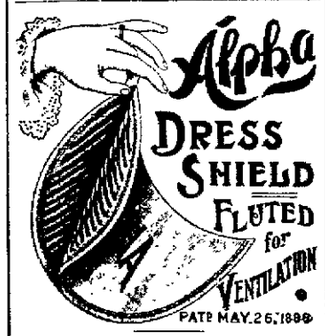
Ministerial Meeting.

The Methodist ministerial meeting of the Decatur district will convene the first of next week and will be in session for several days. The Methodist ministers of the district will be in attendance and will discuss matters pertaining to the church work. There will also be a literary program.



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Mrs. Williams Will Remain at Poor Farm.

WEBBER AND THE I. C. ROAD

Hollow to be Filled at Once—Coming Wedding in Long Creek—Official Visitors From Pana.

Mrs. Lydia Williams, the woman who was found in a hay stack near Long Creek, several days ago, is still at the county poor farm. The members of the Lutheran church interested themselves in the case because the woman was a member of that denomination. They wanted to take her to the church hospital and it was thought that this would be done, but she was not in a fit condition to be moved. Dr. Arthur Welhelmy, who is attending her says that she is showing signs of improvement. Her feet were very badly frozen, but the doctor thinks that he will be able to save them and that it will not be necessary to amputate them.

Mr. Webber and the Central.

The surveyors for the Illinois Central railroad have been in Decatur for the past few days ascertaining a number of cubic yards of earth necessary for the filling to the grade of the right of way of the Illinois Central road, the space of ground recently purchased by Attorney A. G. Webber. The space to be filled is a distance of 250 feet south of East Wood street and from the edge of the embankment to the Western limit of the right of way of the Illinois Central railroad. As soon as the work of the surveyors is finished so as to make a basis for a contract the contracts will be given out and the work of filling in commenced.

A Coming Wedding.

One of the largest weddings which has taken place in the county will occur next Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Carmean near Long Creek. The contracting parties will be Miss Maud Carmean and Alva Davis. The ceremony is to be performed by Rev. A. M. Danely, of the Methodist circuit. A large number of invitations have been issued and the wedding will be an elaborate one. The bride is a well known lady in the vicinity in which she resides. The groom is also well and is a prosperous young farmer He has rented the Samuel Davis farm near Long Creek and it is there that the couple will reside.

Married Yesterday.

Creely Bloir and Miss Jessie Thompson were married yesterday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson, between Mt. Zion and Long Creek. The ceremony was performed by Squire Hughes and was witnessed by quite a number of guests. The couple will reside on a farm.

Inspected Our Streets.

Mayor Penwell and Aldermen John Uhl, M. V. Johnson and Robert Kennedy of Pana were in the city yesterday and made an inspection of the Decatur paved streets. Mayor Taylor, City Engineer Dickerson, Marshal Mason and several of the aldermen took the visitors in the patrol wagons to different parts of the city to look at the streets and other public improvements. The visitors were guests at the St. Nicholas hotel.

ANNUAL PRAISE SERVICE.

Tea Served in the Afternoon—Interesting Program in the Afternoon.

The Woman's Missionary society of the First Presbyterian church held their annual praise service at the church last evening. Tea was served in the afternoon from 5 to 7. There was a large attendance. The program was opened with a vocal solo by Miss Sallie Scruggs, which was followed by a talk on the Sandwich Islands by Miss Alice Roberts. Miss Roberts told of incidents connected with her visit to the islands and talked of the customs of the people, their dress, traditions, etc.

Miss Anna Roberts sang a vocal solo and the remainder of the program was taken up with a talk by Rev. Gifford, a returned missionary from Corea, who talked of Corea, her people, how they lived, their religion, and in an interesting manner told of his experiences during the eight years he labored as a missionary among them. He said:

"Eight years of my life were spent in Corea as a missionary. The hard headed, practical world asks that we must show results. We have something to show for our work. We see men who have been wicked heathen transformed into workers for Christ's cause. We see them develop and give their time and money for the work of the Lord.

"Personal work is a great power and it has been the means of spreading the gospel over northern Corea. We try to make the work selfsupporting. We desire to root the native churches into the soil of the country.

"We erected a church where I was located. The men entered into it with a spirit. I feared it would be hard to get them to work, as many of them belonged to the gentleman class. But I laid off my coat and shoveled dirt for a few days and got them started. Money was collected by small bits. Small boys after school hours scoured the town for rock and broken tile to help in the erection of the church. The building cost in labor and actual money about $500. It would hold 300 people. You can see what a sacrifice it was to build it when you are told that the wages of most of the men in my congregation amounted to $4 a month. Some gave very liberally. One woman gave a fifth of her earnings and one man pawned his spectacles that he might contribute.

"During the terrible famine in India the Coreans were touched by the reports of suffering and, though very poor themselves, sent a liberal offering to the famine districts. Some of the women gave their silver rings for the sufferers in India.

After the talk a collection was taken for mission work. The Missionary society of the Presbyterian church gives $450 a year for missionary work and the sum collected was added to their fund.

THE COVENANT MUTUAL.

Committee Appointed to Join in the Proposed Legal Contest.

In Decatur and vicinity there are about 100 persons who hold policies in the Covenant Mutual Life Insurance company of Galesburg, policies ranging from $2500 to $5000 each, representing a total of about $300,000. Owing to the increased assessment much dissatisfaction has sprung up among the policy holders, and they are now prepared to resist vigorously the present demands of the company managers. Bloomington policy holders organized about 10 days ago against the increased assessments, and last night about 40 Decatur policy holders met at the city council rooms and laid plans to join in the concerted action against the company management. I. A. Buckingham, I. W. Ehrman and John A. Brockway were appointed to confer with the committees appointed by protesters in other cities. Decatur parties believe that by united revolt the Covenant managers can be induced to change their plans or the state law can be used to enjoin the collection of the high assessments.

It was voted last night to assess each member $1 on policies of $5000 and a proportionate amount on smaller policies. The fund thus secured will be used to defray the expenses necessary to organizing the movement. After all preliminary arrangements are made a fund will be raised in the same way to carry on the fight, if there is to be a fight.

AT THE GRAND.

Big Bill Saturday Night.

Never in the history of theatricals in this city has there been so much interest manifested as there is in the coming presentation of Edward E Rice's production of "The Girl From Paris," by Rice's New York company at Powers' Grand next Saturday night, March 12.

Its record of over a thousand times in London, more than three hundred times at the Herald Square Theater New York city, and fifty-six times in Philadelphia, is evidence that the popularity of this merry offering "The Girl From Paris," is above most musical comedies which have emanated from London successes. It is bright and deliciously witty in the originality of its humor, in its fascinating music and pretty ensembles.

Tramp Abroad.

Harry Morrison, the American lad who made a tour of Europe without a dollar, will tell his story of adventure Tuesday night at the Grand, and will not fail to entertain and please the people.

Wheelmen Again Out.

The local wheelmen are very much elated over the speedy drying of the mud of the streets and business men are once more making use of their wheels in going to and from their places of business. The paved streets are all in very good condition and most of the unpaved streets while heavy are passable for the wheel. Several wheelmen have ridden out in the country in the past few days and found the gravel roads in fine condition and even the mud roads so dry that it was possible to ride, but not for any great distance. If pleasant weather continues we will soon have all the wheelmen of last summer with us and with many more added to the list.

High School Notes.

The seniors and juniors of the High school will hold the first full rehearsal for their cantata "The Ship of Life," at the opera house on next Monday evening immediately after school. The cantata will be given on the evening of March 17 and promises to be a great success. The rehearsals are progressing in a very satisfactory manner.

The juniors reorganized their dancing club and will meet on Wednesday afternoon of each week at the Guards' armory.

The Alpha Beta society will hold an open meeting soon.

Married.

At the Grace M. E. parsonage by Rev. W. F. Gillmore at 3 p.m., March 9, Lindsay M. Craig and Miss Katherine Preston, both of Sullivan, Ill.

MAN AND WIFE

Are On Trial This Afternoon for Theft.

ARE CHARGED WITH STEALING

From Sablotny $385—Husband and Wife Arrested for Fighting—Other Police News.

Fred Grabofski and his wife, Augusta Grabofski, are on trial this afternoon in Justice Smith's court. They are charged with having stolen $385 from Adam Sobloty. The couple were arrested Tuesday night and have been in the county jail since then.

Sobloty had in his possession $385 in gold pieces and bills, which he kept in a carpet bag at his house, in the 1100 block on North Jordan street. The Grabofski family are neighbors and live in the same block. Sobloty had a habit of keeping the numbers of many of the bills in his possession and it is this fact which led to the arrest of Mr. and Mrs. Grabofski. A week ago Sunday both families went to another house to visit. During the evening Fred Grabofski left the place and returned later in the evening. When Sobloty went home he found that his carpet bag and money had been stolen. He reported the matter to Officer Ed Koschenska. Sablonty suspected that Grabofski had stolen the money and he and the officer devised a scheme whereby they could learn where the money went. Sablonty borrowed a $10 bill from a friend and went to Mrs. Grabofski and asked her to change it. She did so and gave him in return a $5 bill, a $2 bill and some change. Sablonty had two $2 bills in his carpet bag and as they are rather scarce it was thought a coincidence that Mrs. Grabofski should have one. On investigation it was found that the $5 bill was one which had been in the carpet bag, the number on it having been kept by Sablonty. It was on the strength of this that Mr. and Mrs Grabofski were arrested

The fact that Sablonty positively identified the bill will be strong evidence against Grabofski and his wife and it is likely that they will be convicted.

OTHER POLICE NEWS.

Last night the police arrested William Harkelroad and his wife. They were on the street fighting and making a disturbance. This morning they were taken before a justce of the peace and fined.

Mike Bennett, a minor, was found in a stairway at the corner of Broadway and Eldorado street last night. He was drunk and was taken to the police station and was released this morning. He had in is pocket a ticket to Danville.

TAKE NOTICE.

Republican Township Central Committee Meeting Friday Night.

All the Republican precinct chairmen of Decatur township are hereby requested to meet at the office of 'Squire Hardy on Friday evenidg, March 11, 1898, at 7:30 p. m, for the purpose of arranging for the township primaries and such other business as may come before the committee.

D. A. MAFFIT, Chairman.
W. H. ANDREWS, Sec'y.

Missionary Extension Course.

The first of a series of addresses will be given tonight at the First Presbyterian church under the auspices of the Macon County C. E. Union. Rev. Frost Craft will be the speaker of the evening. Miss Edna Bunn will preside at the organ. Milton Johnson, Jr., will have charge of the music. A banner will be presented to the society having the largest proportion of its membership present.

Roads Are Improved.

The country roads are slightly improved. For the past few months they have been in a worse condition than for the past five years. For a time they were absolutely impassable, but now they are beginning to dry and if the warm weather continues it will not be long before the roads will be in such a condition that hauling will be possible.

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WEATHER.

Chicago, March 10.—Illinois: Cloudy tonight with rain in the central and southern portions; Friday rain in the south; rain or snow in the northern portion; northeast winds.

Uncle Sam.

After the fall of Richmond President Lincoln visited the city, where he was treated as a god by the ex-slaves, who followed his carriage, surrounding it, as it was driven along the streets, shouting praises to God and "Massa Lincoln." At a praise meeting of colored people held after the president left the city the brothers and sisters, one after another, tried to tell how they were impressed by seeing the great liberator. After many had spoken an old exhorter arose and said: "Bredrin and Sesters, you all don't know nothing about de greatness of 'Massa Lincoln.' He just walk de earth like de Lord."

The Republican party has great leaders, and the Democratic party has great leaders for whom their respective followers shout in the heat of campaigns, but greater than any or all of these is the American mythical character we call "Uncle Sam." The artist has been inspired to paint his picture and so common has that likeness become that even the smallest child recognizes the character as soon as he sees the picture. As the artist has tried to picture him so others may try to describe him, but as the old colored man felt as to Lincoln, so it is impossible to describe Uncle Sam. He walks the earth just like the Lord. Uncle Sam is the character, in this greatest of all Republics, who rises above party in times when the nation is in peril or its honor is assailed. Uncle Sam is the embodiment of the patriotism of a free and responsible people.

For several years this nation has done its best to avoid being drawn into a conflict with Spain over the Cuban rebellion. There has been a wide difference in opinion as to whether the United States should interfere in the interest of the Cubans. Spain has become more and more arrogant, until, finally, the representative of Spain insulted the nation in a letter which became public and resigned to avoid being ordered out of the country. Following close upon this comes the destruction of the Maine and the death of nearly 300 American seamen in the harbor of Havana. Pending an investigation into the destruction of the warship and the men, the administration began preparations for war. The time came when the president intimated that he would like to have at his disposal $50,000,000 for national defense and congress responded by appropriating that amount without a dissenting voice. All party divisions vanished before the dazzling glory of Uncle Sam as he appeared and "walked the earth like the Lord." As one of our representatives put it: "No country on earth would seek to avoid war as this country does. No country on earth need fear war less than America." It need not fear war because it is a country of freemen, who know the responsibilities which go with freedom and are ready when it becomes necessary to defend the country with armies of freemen instead of armies of conscripts and whose glory is Uncle Sam, who is the nation's pillar of cloud by day and pillar of fire by night.

Wise Words.

A gentleman in this city received a letter from one of our leading members of congress and a man whose judgment is never swerved by passion and who cannot be dragoned into a false position by any sort of clamor, in which he says:

"Our Republicans at home are very foolish in finding fault with the president because he won't act the hot headed fool and rush the country into war without preparation. They forget that while we have 70,000,000 people and many thousand miles of seacoast, we have only about army enough to make a single army corps, and a small navy, too small to protect our coast and our merchant vessels on the high seas. It takes time to get ready, and the time is being well used. We need 30 days more time and must have it unless Spain begins the shooting sooner. The fellows most noisy at home will require a good deal of time and very liberal bounties before they reach the point of volunteering when the time comes. Louis Napoleon lost his throne by yielding to the noisy clamor of the French for war with Prussia, when the French army was not ready for war. Lincoln was bitterly denounced because he wouldn't free the slaves at once, but he was wiser than those who denounced him—he did it at the proper time to make the act effective. McKinley knows what actual war is, and he knows that a good regiment may be whipped by a poor one by rushing into a fight without proper preparation. Too many of our people talk and act as if the Yankee nation was ready for a fight every day in the year, when the fact is that no nation of our size is more unready than we are every day in the year.

"Of course we need not fear an actual invasion by the foot soldiers of any nation, but on the seas there are several nations that would be able to humiliate us greatly before we could muster force enough to protect ourselves. We are taking steps to put $50,000,000 at the command of the president to provide for the national defense, and when the time comes when further action is wise congress and the president will be found a unit in acting. I believe it will end in war, and that is the general belief here now. When it comes we want to be so ready as to make it short, sharp and decisive. We don't want to waste ourselves in frothy vaporings about our powers as the Johnnies did in the first days of the confederacy. "Brag is a good dog, but Holdfast is better."

OUR NEIGHBORS.

DALTON CITY.

Rev. J. O'Rourke was in Decatur Monday.

Mike Nolan will soon leave for Iowa to reside in the future.

Mrs. B. Masterson of Decatur is meeting friends here.

A. H. Miller of Sullivan wrs busy electioneering in our village Tuesday.

S A. Duggan transacted business in Sullivan on Tuesday.

The following persons were nominated at the Republican convention held here on last Saturday. H. Snyder, supervisor, J. Peck, clerk, and David Doner, assessor.

I. C. Evans of Prairie Home was on our streets Tuesday.

Our city was again visited by a small fire in the Hight, McCoy & Co. elevator Monday. Only a small amount of damage was done.

If the fine weather remains the farmers will soon put in their crop of oats.

MT. ZION.

Uncle John Scott is on the sick list.

Mrs. Fred Britton of Hervey City visited with home folks last week.

Frank Harbert finished moving his household goods Monday to Prairie Home.

Joe Lilly and family have moved to Sullivan.

No more street entertainments go.

Oscar Bilby went to Clinton Saturday on business.

Miss Saffle of Lake City visited with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Champion over Sunday.

Mrs. Bater Davis entertained a company from Decatur Sunday.

Bud Madox of St. Louis was here calling on friends Monday.

Misses Alice Roberts, Minnie Reed, Mary Sleeper and Mary Sullivan were shopping in Decatur Monday.

Wilbert Map returned to Peoria Monday after a visit with home folks.

W. S. Smith and William Coombe will have a combination sale here Thursday the 17th.

FORSYTH.

W. F. Hoover and wife of Macon visited with relatives over Sunday.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. John Sigust, on March 2, a 10 pound boy.

Uncle Billy Segust of Decatur visited his grandson Sunday.

Ed. Gonterman has moved to his place east of town.

Mr. Bates of Oreana has moved into the Luckenbill property and will conduct a butcher shop and wagon shop during the summer.

Miss Keefer of Warrensburg visited with Mr Sawyers over Sunday.

School will close the sixteenth and D. L. Parkhurst, the teacher, will engage in building the Cyclone Woven Wire Fence. This is the fence farmers have been looking for. Write him for particulars.

The protracted meetings promised us last week seem to have been a failure for unknown reasons.

James Ingold has returned to this community.

Chas. Drury will conduct a restaurant and ice cream parlor in the McMillan property next Summer.

CASNER.

Don't fail to be at the concert Saturday night at Odd Fellows' hall.

Wm Lee has returned from his home in southern Illinois to work for M. W. Patterson.

Mrs. Clayborne Jones was prostrated by a paralytic stroke one day last week. She will probably not recover.

Will Erbar will work for Will Underwood this season. He arrived from his home Friday.

Mrs. Daniel Davidson of near Lake City spent Sunday at the home of John Casner.

There was a lecture at the church Sunday afternoon by a lady, a returned missionary, on India. Her lecture was instructing and interesting. A good sized crowd was in attendance.

The woman found almost frozen a few days ago in a haystack was taken to Decatur Saturday afternoon by John Ditty and John Hirsch.

A number of families have been moving during the last week. Henry Smith moved to Iowa this week. He went to Story county.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Alva Davis and Miss Maud Carman on Wednesday evening, March 16.

The Ladies' Aid Society have decided to have a fair and festival the first week in April. All will be called on to prepare something for the fair. It will be held at the home of John Wilson. The exact date will be announced later.

The Casner Cornet Band will give a grand entertainment at Odd Fellows' Hall on Saturday evening, March 12. It will consist of music by the band, vocal choruses and solos, and a barrel of fun by two Alabama coons. You should not fail to see the great Dr. Uno in his wonderful dentistical and decapitating act, and Professor Bam Bones in his tambourine specialty.

A. J. Chapman held a public sale on Tuesday, selling off his stock of farming implements. He has rented his farm to his son-in-law, Curt White, and will not have the care of the farm, as Mr W. is getting feeble. George Soland of Boody was the auctioneer.

BETHANY.

Sam Corner of Windsor spent Sunday with his parents. Sam has a position with Tom Thomason in a restaurant there.

Mr. Hickman of Oakley has his son here taking the Osteopathy treatment for a fractured limb.

Mrs. John Howell of Arcola is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sables.

Will Guthery of Spokane, Wash., is shaking hands with his many friends here this week. Will has been attending to some legal business in Chicago.

Mr. Sheramn Wright of Decatur stopped Saturday and over night here. One of our nicest girls is the attraction.

Sheriff Lansden and wife spent Sunday in our city.

Nolk Powell returned from Newton Saturday where he has been attending to some business and visiting relatives and friends.

Our republican township convention was held at the opera house last Saturday evening. A good strong ticket was placed in the field.

Judge Hundson, Judge Meeker and Bush Ham were electioneering their democratic friends here Monday.

Died of pneumonia Sunday evening, the 2-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs R E. Mead. The funeral was preached Monday at the home after which the remains were sent to Ong, Nebraska, for burial.

Bill Fruit left Tuesday for Seattle. He will probably make the Klondike before he returns to us.

The strength of our country should it come to war is hard to estimate. Bethany has severely thrashed Spain the past week and is shying her caster for other worlds.

Bill Hardin has left us for Eldorado, Kans. Bill has secured employment there as engineer in the railroad yards.

The boys had some sport the other night by holding Billy Landen under the town pump and pumping cold water down his spinal vertebra. They called this playing even for a joke Billy perpetrated upon them "down to the raffle last winter" Billy is an all around jolly fellow, nevertheless and knows how to take a joke as well as give one.

OUTTEN.

Merry spring time.

Mr and Mrs. Fred Britlaw and Miss Mabel Birtlaw were Decatur visitors Monday.

Robert Grindol and family from Lovington moved to this community last week.

Mrs. Trunnels of Lovington visited her daughter, Mrs. Grindol, last Saturday

Miss Jess Patterson visited Lovington over Sunday.

Mrs. Sullivan of Mt. Zion is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Hughes, this week.

J. F. Patton has returned after an extended visit with friends and relatives near Terre Haute.

Mrs. F. M. Hall was shopping in Decatur last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J E. Farrell and children out to Decatur Tuesday.

MACON.

Mrs. Jacob Peter of Bowling Green, Missouri, is visiting relatives and friends in this city.

Wm. Snyder of Moweaqua was the guest of friends in this city Sunday.

Miss Mary McNicholas of Lovington spent a few days last week with Jerome Davis and wife

Mrs. Wm. Herbert is visiting relatives in Decatur this week.

Mrs. J. F. VanGundy and son spent a few days the first of the week in Assumption the guests of Elijah Walker and wife.

Mr. A. R. Barker and son spent Sunday in Forsythe.

F. E. Wilson and wife spent Sunday in Harristown.

Miss Jennie Richmond of Decatur spent Saturday with S. M. Washburn and wife.

Dora Patterson has the measles.

Miss Ida Rahler of Moweaqua spent a few days last week with Henry Gostes and wife.

Rev. Penhallegon and wife of Decatur, and also Rev. McKay and wife of Assumption spent Tuesday with Rev. John Roberts and wife.

Mrs. Lloyd of Burlington, Ia., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Wm. Whittaker and family.

Mrs. D. A. Doggett spent Tuesday in Peoria.

Miss Eugene Harris of Decatur spent a few days last week in this city.

Otis Daniels and wife of Blue Mound spent Sunday with her parents, Charles Jones and wife.

Michael Scott is visiting relatives in Illiopolis this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hoover entertained the members of The Unexpected club at their home one mile south of town Friday evening. A large number were present who report a pleasant time. Refreshments were served at a late hour. The evening was spent in playing games.

The members of the Epworth League held their monthly social at the home of Fred Jostes. A large number were present.

Miss Fannie Merris is visiting relatives in Pana this week.

Misses Emma and Mary Ellerich who spent the winter at school returned home Tuesday.

MAROA.

Miss Lottie Crowell returned Saturday from a visit with relatives at Heyorth.

Roy Moyer was the guest of Raymond Hoff in Decatur from Friday to Monday.

F. M. Smith has accepted a position with the Piano Manufacturing company and will begin work next week.

DeLome was hanged in effigy on a telegraph pole near the Illinois Central freight house Wednesday evening.

Mrs. R. T. Hardin visited Clinton friends Thursday.

Miss Spooner's music class gave a recital at the home of D. N. Gray and wife on Thursday evening.

Mrs S M. Adams and Mrs. Charles Gaskill of Moweaqua were guests of Frank Stroud and family Wednesday.

Mrs. Costello returned to her home at Argenta Tuesday after a visit with Thomas Costello and wife.

Mrs. Samuel Kepler visited her daughter, Mrs C. W. Wykoff, in Decatur Tuesday and Wednesday.

At the business meeting of the Christian Endeavor society of the Presbyterian church on Wednesday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing six months:

President—J. H. Sterling.
Vice President—Stella Bean.
Secretary—Arra M. Smith.
Treasurer—Nellie Ray.
Organist—Lora Gault.
Leverman—Albert Bartlett.

Miss Etta Nelson is the guest of Miss Kate Entler at Decatur.

Miss Sadie Davis of Chicago, who will trim for Miss Mollie Schultz this season, will arrive next week.

Mrs. Pratt Nelson visited Clinton friends Monday

A private dance was given at the Schenk hall on Friday evening. Fourteen couples were in attendance and report a pleasant time.

John Kempsha spent Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. Agness Kirchoff at Farmer City.

Mrs George Graeff entertained her Sunday school class at a mask party Tuesday evening.

Mrs. W. B. Stoutenborough sustained a painful injury in a runaway on Saturday.

SANGAMON.

Roads are in bad condition for those who are obliged to move.

The sale at Austin Dunham's Friday was well attended and everything sold well.

Frank Wissener, who went east last month to visit his relatives in Maryland, has returned and is shaking hands with his many frieds, who are always glad to see him.

David Wheeler moved to the William Sheets farm last Friday and C. G. Wheeler has moved into the house vacated by David.

Rev. Ritchie held his regular services at Sangamon Saturday and Sunday

Mrs. Emma Braman left Friday for Shelbyville, where she will visit for a short time with relatives before joining her husband in St. Louis.

Milton Lutes shelled corn for Mr. Baine Saturday.

There has been a stranger in our neighborhood since last week measuring trees and fence posts. He claims to be tracing a vein of oil. His lodestone consists of a glass bottle and several yards of twine filled with knots

J. W. Walker has struck a vein of gas on his farm, while boring for water.

The members of the church of God held their ordinance meeting at W. R. Ruckers on Saturday evening.

The time for the annual appearance of the office seeker has arrived, and candidates, with aspirations, are bobbing up in all directions.

School reopens today after a vacation of two weeks.

Rob Leathers left last week for Kansas, where his parents reside

The boys at Sangamon enjoyed an egg roast Saturday evening.

The little son of James K. Wheler, who has been ill for the past three months is able to get about on his crutches once more.

Friday evening, February 11, is the date set by the Democrats for their primary It will be held at the school house in Oakley Boys don't forget the date.

NIANTIC.

Central examination took place here, Wednesday, March 2. Thirty-two High school and 12 grammar pupils were present. Myrtle Boone, Noah Jacobson and Lloyd Candle of Niantic ranked first in the ten year work, Nina Waddell of Burkey school, also rank first.

Jeannie Coughlan ranked second in ten year work. Bertha Roberts ranked first and John Nottelmann second in eight year work. All three are Niantic pupils. This was the largest central examination ever held in Macon county.

Joseph Havener, who has been helpless since Teanksgiving on account of rheumatism, desires to thank his neighbors and all the other kind friends who aided him. He says God will surely bless them for their goodness. Niantic is not composed entirely of angels, but in sickness or death no town can excel it in sympathy.

SOCIABLE

A delightful sociable was enjoyed Saturday, March 5, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs J. W. Jones. The occasion was in honor of the birthday of their daughter, Minnie. An excellent musical program was carried out. The orchestra composed of William Robert, Eddie and Virgil Jones, with Miss Minnie Jones at the piano played a number of beautiful selections Among the songs were "Whistling King," Robert and Minnie Jones; "Take Back Your Gold," Mrs. Wm. Pritchett and daughter, Lena, with Mrs. Nettie Jones at the piano; "I Wish He Was Home Tonight," Mrs. Nettie Jones; piano, Wm. Jones; cornet, Virgil Jones, violin; "My Gal is a High Born Lady," Mrs. Pritchett and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jones and son, piano, cornet and violin. Mr. Bert Faris rendered several beautiful piano selections. The Rebekah Sisters presented Miss Jones a handsome dress in honor of her birthday. Delicious refreshments were served. Among those present were Mrs.

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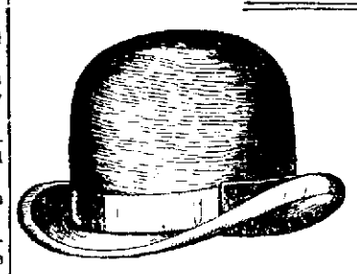
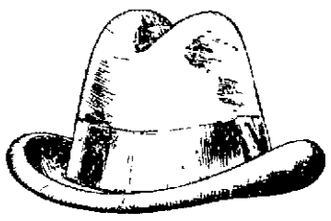
Spring Hats.



We are showing the new spring blocks in all dimensions in Stiff Hats. We are agents for the celebrated "Langley" and "Enquirer" in Blacks, Seal Browns, French Brown, Cuba, Sable and Otter.



In Fedoras we are showing the "Langley" and "Enquirer" in Black, Brown, Sable, Otter, Cuba and Pearl. Many of them have the new under brims, the under side of the brim being of a different color from the body of the hat.

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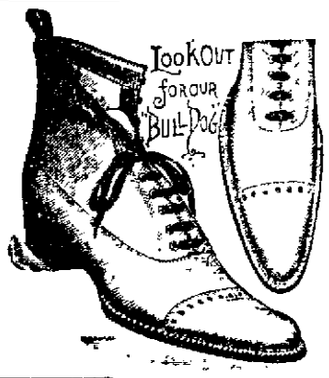

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GEO. W. POWERS.

THE GRAND JURY

Members Selected by the Board This Afternoon.

OTHER BUSINESS MATTERS

Discussed by the Supervisors To-Day—Will Collect Taxes from the National Biscuit Company.

The board of supervisors this afternoon selected the following to serve as grand jurors at the next term of court If any vacancies occur they will be filled

Austin—Robert Morris.
Blue Mound—L H. Ross
Decatur—Harry Jones, Hue Singleton, James Freeman, David Hoff
Friends Creek—Thomas Brunger
Harristown—M. D. Camp
Hickory Point—J. R Hays.
Illini—Phillip Buman.
Long Creek—Henry Kizer, W. M. Davis
Macon—Thomas Costello, Robert Leach.
Milam—Albert Smith.
Mt Zion—A. R. Edwards.
Niantic—W. H. Thompson.
Oakley—Isaac Andrews.
Pleasant View—D. L. McClusky.
South Macon—A. L. Fleming, W H Harbert.
South Wheatland—Fred Kater.
Whitmore—J. H. Moothart

This forenoon in the absence of Mr. Bean, Mr. Orr acted as chairman. An invitation from the Central Union Telephone Company to attend the entertainment at the St. Nicholas this afternoon was accepted. Mr Magee reported on the receipts and expenditures as superintendent of the poor farm. The reports of the printing and public building committees were accepted.

The special committee appointed to look into the matter of telephone recommended that the old telephones be put in the offices of the circuit clerk and sheriff and that the old telephone be taken out of the judge's office and the new one put in

This afternoon the board was called to order by Chairman Bean.

The fees and salary committee recommended the payment of the claim of $367 of the county superintendent. Various bills amounting to $368 92 were allowed.

The special committee appointed to confer with the commissioners of Pleasant View township reported that the cost of the bridge over Mosquito Creek was $821 40 and the county's share was $304 30.

The work of calcimining varnishing, painting and decorating the court was let to J B Ehrhart His bid was $545. There were four other bidders.

The new county physician stated that he had been called to the Anna B. Milliken home and had been told that he was to attend to all of the inmates free of charge He asked the board whether or not that was his duty and he was instructed to attend only to county patients at the home free of charge.

The matter of the taxes of the Decatur Cracker Company was taken up by the board. A W. Conklin, the manager, refused to pay the taxes because there was a clerical error in making out the name in the assessment. It was moved that attorneys be employed to collect the taxes Assessor W. W. Foster stated to the board that all that was necessary was for him to re-assess the property and it would then have to be paid. He said it was only a dodge to get out of paying the taxes and that by re-assessment the taxes could be collected.

MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 10.

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Wheat—					
March.....	——	——	——	102⅝	102⅝
May.....	104⅝	104⅝	104	104	104⅝
July.....	90⅝	90⅝	90⅛	90⅝	90⅝
Corn—					
March.....	——	——	——	29⅛	28⅞
May.....	30⅛	30⅛	30⅛	30⅛	30⅛
July.....	31½	31⅝	31½	31⅝	31⅝
Oats—					
March.....	——	——	——	26⅝	26⅝
May.....	26⅝	27⅛	26⅝	26⅝	27
July.....	24⅝	24⅝	24⅝	24⅝	24⅝
Pork—					
May.....	10 30	10 37½	10 27½	10 27	10 30
Lard					
May.....	5 22½	5 22½	5.22½	5 22½	5 22
Ribs.					
May.....	5 17	5 17	5 12½	5.15	5 17

To-Day's Receipts—Car Lots.
Wheat—92, Estimated, 110; a year ago, 11
Corn—341; Estimated, 35); a year ago 101
Oats—228; Estimated, 225, a year ago, 170.
Estimates for To-Morrow.
Wheat, 93; Corn, 469; Oats, 230.

Hogs.
Hog receipts, 22,000. Estimated, 27,000.
Market strong.
Light $3 70@$3.90; Mixed $3 74@$4 00.
Heavy $3 90@$4.05. Rough, $3 70@$3.80.
Estimated for to-morrow, 21,000.

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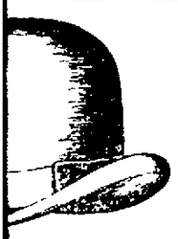

We are showing the new spring blocks in all dimensions in Stiff Hats. We are the celebrated "Langley" and " in Blacks, Seal Browns, French nba, Sable and Otter.

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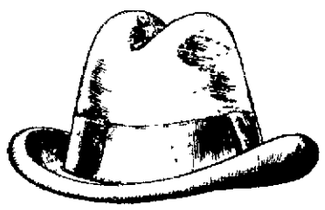

Cuba and Pearl. Many of them new under brims, the under side n being of a different color from of the hat.

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Will find much to interest them in our Hat Stock. . . . . .

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N. Water St., Next to Bradley Bros.

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Gentlemen's $5 Fine Shoes

...For Spring...

WERS, Sole Agent.

Scholar & Co.'s Ladies' Finest Shoes.

l $5 Grades, AA to E, 2½ to 8.

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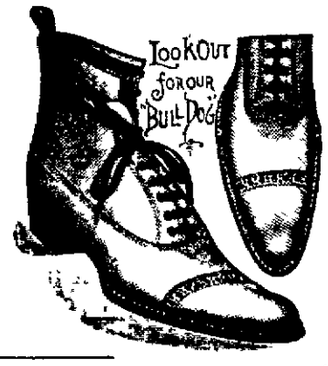

have visited and purchased in Powers' ment since its opening. A complete ole shoes at much below the market

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onnected with any other shoe store in Deca- store on East Main street is absolutely my e of business.

EO. W. POWERS.

THE GRAND JURY

Members Selected by the Board This Afternoon.

OTHER BUSINESS MATTERS

Discussed by the Supervisors To-Day Will Collect Taxes from the National Biscuit Company.

The board of supervisors this afternoon selected the following to serve as grand jurors at the next term of court If any vacancies occur they will be filled·

Austin—Robert Morris.
Blue Mound—I H Ross.
Decatur—Harry Jones, Hue Singleton, Jones Freeman David Hoff
Friends Creek—Thomas Brunger.
Harrystown—M D Camp.
Hickory Point—J R Hays.
Illiopolis—Phillip Bunan
Long Creek—Henry Kizer, W. M. Davis.
Macon—Thomas Costello, Robert Leach.
Mt Zion—Albert Smith.
Mt Zion—A R. Edwards.
Niantic—W H. Thompson.
Oakley—Isaac Andrews.
Pleasant View—D L. McClusky.
South Macon—A. L Fleming, W. H. Harbert
South Wheatland—Fred Kater.
Whitmore—J H Moothart.

This forenoon in the absence of Mr. Bean Mr Orr acted as chairman. An invitation from the Central Union Telephone Company to attend the entertainment at the St Nicholas this afternoon was accepted Mr. Magee reported on the receipts and expenditures as superintendent of the poor farm The reports of the printing and public building committees were accepted

The special committee appointed to look into the matter of telephone recommended that the old telephones be put in the offices of the circuit clerk and sheriff and that the old telephone be taken out of the judge's office and the new one put in

This afternoon the board was called to order by Chairman Bean

The fees and salary committee recommended the payment of the claim of $367 of the county superintendent Various bills amounting to $358 99 were allowed.

The special committee appointed to confer with the commissioners of Pleasant View township reported that the cost of the bridge over Mosquito Creek was $621 40 and the county's share was $314 20

The work of calcimining, varnishing, painting and decorating the court was let to J B Ehrhart His bid was $545. There were four other bidders.

The new county physician stated that he had been called to the Anna B. Milligan home and had been told that he was to attend to all of the inmates free of charge He asked the board whether or not that was his duty and he was instructed to attend only to county patients at the home free of charge.

The matter of the taxes of the Decatur Cracker Company was taken up by the board A W. Conklin, the manager, refused to pay the taxes because there was a clerical error in making out the name in the assessment It was moved that attorneys be employed to collect the taxes Assessor W. W. Foster stated to the board that all that was necessary was for him to re assess the property and it would then have to be paid. He said it was only a dodge to get out of paying the taxes and that by re-assessment the taxes could be collected.

MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 10.

	Opening	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Yesterday.
Wheat—					
March	—	—	—	102⅛	102⅛
May	104⅛	104⅝	104	104	104⅛
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PERSONAL.

—Miss Lulu Beall of Warrensburg is visiting with Decatur friends.

—Miss Hester Burns of Illiopolis is the guest of Decatur friends.

—Mr. Will Robinson of Warrensburg is visiting with friends in the city

—Dr. E. A. Morgan made a professional call at Maroa today.

—O. B. Gorin is in Chicago on business.

—Miss Nora Coughlin, who has been ill for several days, is improving.

—Dr. D. W. Porter of Blue Mound was in the city yesterday.

—Dr. Everett J. Brown made a professional call at Moweaqua this afternoon.

—F. D. Caldwell left yesterday for Hot Springs, Ark., for a short visit

—Miss Dora Fulk, living near Long Creek, is dangerously ill.

—Mrs. Mark Camp of Harristown was visiting with Decatur friends yesterday.

—Mrs Patilla of Bethany visited in the city yesterday.

—R. P. Francis has gone to Flora, Ill., on a business trip.

—Miss Maude Lincoln is visiting relatives at Hammond.

—Charles Lincoln is visiting in Hammond.

—Mr. and Mrs James Lichtenberger of Maroa, are in the city today.

—Dr. W. T. Patterson of Casner transacted business in the city yesterday.

—Miss Josephine Bold returned yesterday from a visit of three weeks to friends at Effingham.

—Charles Dreshach of Warrensburg was in the city yesterday, the guest of friends.

—Mrs. H. C. Conklin and son, Guy, returned this afternoon from a visit with friends at Champaign.

—Miss Edith Patterson of Delphi, Ohio, is in the city visiting her uncle, Charles H. Patterson and family.

—Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Weigand of North Main street, March 9, a daughter.

—N. Allison of Mt Pulaski was in the Decatur yesterday and today transacting business.

—Charles C. Carter of Toledo, Ohio, was in the city yesterday on a visit to his daughter, Miss Cora Carter. Mr. Carter is just returning after an extended trip through the west.

Captain Cassell and the members of the guards have shipped their old rifles to Springfield and are now expecting the new guns which the government is to provide them.

—The Misses Rose and May Blalock, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W H. Starr of West Main street, will leave tonight for their home at Walla Walla, Wash.

—Dr. Will Barnes will leave Saturday for San Antonio, Texas, to join Mrs. Barnes and the children who have been there for the winter.

—Rev. D. L. Gifford, the missionary who lectured in the First Presbyterian church last evening went to Blue Mound this morning, where he will deliver a lecture tonight.

—Rev H. O. Hoffman and J. M. Gove of Bloomington, are in the city in the interest of the Knights Templars and Masons' Life Indemnity company.

—Mrs. Cleibourne Jones, who lives near Harvey City, is dangerously ill. Her condition is so serious that it is not thought that she will recover.

—Rev. W. H. Penhallegon is in Springfield to attend a meeting of the Home Missionary committee of the Decatur Presbytery of which he is chairman

Alpha

Talk About Barbers.

Eds. Republican:—I saw an article in one of the city papers in reference to raising the price of barber work and closing at 6 o'clock, which would be a good thing if it was in force and I can't see what any shop would want to oppose it for they will be losers by it. There is no advantage in a cut rate shop only when the rest stay at the regular rate, for when the rest cut with you (which will be universal if this fails), then you have to fall back on your own customers and do their work at 40 cents on the dollar and I know a barber likes money as well as anybody and if they can't agree for their own good it is their own fault. Of course I think the bosses terms are a little high for there is a joint or two that I would not consider opposition if I was him, for you can't kill a barber shop. They have got more lives than a dozen cats for there are more shops now than when the cut came and it is foolish to cut off your nose to see how you look without it. Sandy Rogan.

Don't forget about the performance if you would keep the friend obtained by a promise.

Don't waste time trying to shave yourself with the razor your wife uses on her corns.

Don't hit a man when he's down—unless you are very sure you can keep him down.

Don't believe that curling irons are responsible for all the curly hair.

TWO CASES DECIDED.

In the Circuit Court To-Day—Leforgee & Co. Won Their Suit.

The jury in the case of Leforgee and Company vs. A. T. Risley, returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, giving judgment for $101 76 and costs.

The case of Stephen Maiden vs. R. P. Myers was taken up. Maiden was suing to recover since corn from Myers, while constable. There was a matter of technicality in regard to a schedule of property made by Maiden. After some evidence had been heard the court excluded the evidence and instructed the jury to find for the defendant. The jury retired and returned a verdict in favor of the defendant.

The case of David Garver vs. Hugh Crea was next taken up. Attorney Redmon appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Crea pled his own case. The entries on the dockets were as follows:

COMMON LAW CASES.

Jesse Leforgee and John E. Patterson, firm of Leforgee & Lee, appellants, vs. A. T. Risley; appeal. Jury retired. Verdict of jury for plaintiff for $101.76. Judgment on the verdict and for costs.

Stephen Maiden vs R. P. Myers, appellant; appeal. Trial by jury.

Samuel R. Suffern vs. Patrick W Finn; assumpsit. Rule to plead to amend declaration instanter.

James E. Osborne, administrator, vs. The Wabash Railroad company; trespass. Jury instructed to find for defendant. Jury retired. Verdict of jury defendant not guilty and execution.

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Samuel R. Suffern vs. Patrick W. Finn; assumpsit. Demurrer to amended declaration. Demurrer sustained and leave to amend.

CHANCERY CASES.

Anna Helfer vs. Rufus M. Elliott et al; foreclosure Suit dismissed by complainant without prejudice at costs of complainant.

Savings Fund Building Association vs. Rosalie A Reson et al. Leave to master to amend report instanter as to receiver. Report amended, receiver's bond $300, report approved.

PAID $5,339.50.

John K. Munsie and the Knights Templar Insurance.

An illustration of the working of the perfected system of life insurance, peculiar to the Knights Templars and Masons Life Indemnity Company of Chicago, Illinois, as demonstrated by the settlement of Policy No. 6070, on the life of the late John K. Munsie of Decatur, Macon county, Ill., paid by Company's Check No. 3046, on the First National Bank of Chicago, for $5339.50, payable to Fanny M. Munsie, Beneficiary.

This statement given below of settlement, shows how thoroughly the Company fulfills its policy-contracts, and demonstrates beyond question that the Knights Templars and Masons Life Indemnity Company of Chicago, is furnishing insurance that does insure, cheaper than any other Company in the country. Fifteen years of continuous success has placed the Company on so solid a foundation that is stands without a peer, in all it undertakes to do.

Name—John K. Munsie.
Residence—Decatur, Macon county, Illinois.
Policy No. 6,070. Amount of policy, $5,000
Age when insured ....55 years
Age at death..... .....64 years
Amount of policy $5,000 00
Post mortem dividend. 349 50
Amount of company's check....$5,339 50

COST OF $5,000 INSURANCE

Total net cost $5,000 insurance, 9 years, 3 months $785 00
Net cost of $5,000 insurance, per annum from age 55 to age 64..... . .. . $66.85
Net cost of $1,000 insurance, from age 55 to age 64..... ... .$13 37

The loss of Bro. May of this city will be paid in a few days.

Builds up the system, puts pure, rich blood in the veins; makes men and women strong and healthy—Burdock Blood Bitters. At any drug store.

Don't jaw back unless you want the other fellow to know that you are as big a fool as he is.

Quinoria positively cures chills and fever when other remedies fail. No cure, no pay.

Two can be twice as selfish as one.

Don't judge a man by his relations instead of by his companions. Relations are thrust upon him, but companions are usually of his own selection.

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Investigation shows that men who succeed are men of brains—strong nerves—great will power. Ordinary food cannot supply the vital forces which people with active brains and bodies require. **Bicola Pills** feed the nerves—make the mind bright, muscles strong—make flesh and blood and give perfect health to *Men and Women* THE TURNERS OF PHILADELPHIA make **Bicola Pills.**

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OUR NEIGHBORS.

Concluded from Preceding Page.

Charles Jones of Decatur and Miss Julia Whitesides of Illiopolis. There is nowhere a family possessing more natural musical talent than the Jones family and an evening spent with them is sure to be an enjoyable one.

Rev. Pierce of Sumner, Ill, father of the sick pastor, is preaching at the M. E. church this week.

Uncle Jesse Lockhart is again suffering greatly from dropsy

Rev. Pierce, who has been very ill, is improving

Cards are out announcing the wedding on March 16 of Ed Ferguson and Miss Ida Kapp. The ceremony will be performed at 6 p.m. in the Christian church.

MOWEAQUA.

Miss Fannie Hudson spent Sunday in Decatur

Misses Sue and Edna Rice spent several days in Decatur last week visiting relatives and attending church.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Gregory and Mrs Lydia Gregory were in Decatur Tuesday.

The horse driven by Mrs Clark Hedges and Miss Minnie Elson ran away Tuesday and threw both ladies out and injured them slightly

Mr. and Mrs. Adams and daughter, Mrs. Gaskill, are visiting their daughter, Mrs Stroud, at Maroa this week.

Mrs. Laura Tolby visited Decatur relatives the latter part of last week.

Miss Gertrude Knowles spent Sunday in Decatur.

Mrs. Sarah Ruffner, an aged resident of Moweaqua died this morning at 9 o'clock. She was in her 83rd year.

Republican Township Convention.

The Republicans of Friends Creek township will meet in convention Saturday, March 19, at 8 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of nominating candidates for the township offices. E. H. Thomas, Chairman, F. R. Querry, Secretary —2-d&w

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in consumption. Four doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman. Trial bottles 10c, at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's drug stores.

Uncle Sam's Pet.

On Saturday, January 1, the Wabash fast government mail train, No 1, traveled 101 miles in 99 minutes, assuredly a good beginning of the new year. Watch future performances of this great flyer, the fastest mail train in the world and the pet of Uncle Sam.

Are you ready for the question?

Can a railroad operate its trains at a mile a minute clip unless its roadbed, track and rolling stock are of a high standard. "We maintain a high standard." Speed, saftey and comfort are all branded "Wabash."

If you intend to make a trip to any part of the world, including the Klondike, communicate with C. A Pollock, passenger and ticket agent, Wabash railroad, Decatur, Ill.—23-d&w

What pleasure is there in life with a headache, constipation and biliousness? Thousands experience them who could become perfectly healthy by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Who killed the fourth part of all the people in the world?

What man getteth is living backwards?

How many straws go to a goose's nest?

Don't imagine that the dude is higher up in the scale than the ordinary fool.

Save The Children.

When children are attacked with cough, cold and croup, Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup will prove a quick and sure cure. Mr. Elmer E. Baker, Blandon, Pa., writes: "We have used Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup for cough, cold and croup, and found it the best cough medicine and cure for these affections. We never run out of it, but always keep it on hand." Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is sold everywhere for 25 cents. Insist on having it.

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New Spring Silks...

Auspicious opening of Silk leaders for Spring '98. Every day brings new weaves and patterns and the showing is something wonderful. Fancy Plaids and Stripes—Grenadines in black and fancy effects—plain and changeable Taffetas—Black Silks and Satins, plain and brocaded—all these and scores of others are here at exceptionally low prices. A visit from you will be appreciated whether you buy or not.

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Wool Dres Goods...

A new Fabric Idea shown exclusively in all Decatur at The Big Store, that came to us only yesterday is called by the decidedly Frenchy appellation "La Bayadere." It is made in black and Chamelion effects produced by the combination of red, brown, blue or wine with a black Bayadere stripe—is full 40 inches wide and was never intended to sell at a smaller figure than 75c yard. As a special introductory price we have marked this lot at—

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Speaking About Prices

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Physicians Find That the Disease Germs of Catarrh, Bronchitis and Asthma Are Killed at Once by the New Germicide, Which Is Carried to All Parts of the Head, Throat and Lungs by the Air You Breathe.

The testimony of *over thirty-six hundred* regular physicians, who, over their own signatures, have declared "Hyomei" to be the most successful remedy ever used by them in the treatment of diseases of the head, throat and lungs, is the strongest endorsement *ever* given to any preparation and the *only one* of the kind in the history of medicine.

Just think of it, after having tested every treatment known, liquids, sprays, douches and atomizers, and cast them aside as useless, these representative medical men claim the Australian Dry Air method of treating Catarrh, Catarrhal Deafness, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds, Asthma and Hay Fever to be the *only* one by which all parts of the air passages can be reached and cured. This decision means a great deal to the thousands of people suffering from these diseases. It means that they need no longer waste their time and money on methods which have proved worthless. It means that they need not endanger their hearing or lose their sense of smell and taste by forcing liquid medicines into the air passages with sprays, douches and atomizers.

It means many other things favorable to the health and happiness of the people of this country, but, best of all, it means freedom from suffering to those who are afflicted with diseases of the air passages in the head, throat and lungs, and have found no relief from any of the old methods of treatment.

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KILLED BY ENCHANTMENT.

A Queer Witchcraft Yarn from Over the Seas.

When magicians, occultists and adepts in the black art the world over heard the other day that Stanislas de Guaita was dead, they at once, or, rather, the leaders among them, jumped at the conclusion that enchantment had killed him, or, in other words, that an evil spell had been cast over him, causing him to waste away and finally die.

Some years ago Stanislas de Guaita had a bitter quarrel with Abbe Boullan, and the story goes that he determined to kill him by enchantment. During the middle ages, when a person desired to get an enemy out of the way he frequently applied for assistance to a magician, who, for a monetary consideration, usually very large, would undertake the unpleasant task. The weapon used was an image, made of wax or other impressionable material, and fashioned so as to resemble as closely as possible the person about to be removed. The magician claimed that when pins were stuck into this image or when it was otherwise malterated, the person whom it represented would suffer in a corresponding degree and would in a short time surely die. Naturally, images of this sort were at one time rather popular among those who had enemies whom they desired to remove.

Abbe Boullan, however, was not to be caught so easily. He knew a deal about the black art himself, and when he heard that Guaita intended to kill him in this way he determined to prevent him. He was successful, and then he went on his way, calmly pursuing his occult studies, until finally he died peacefully in his bed, like any other respectable gentleman. Now, however—and this is the singular part of the story—it appears that the enchantment which was designed to work his death has ruthlessly retraced its steps and killed its own author, Stanislas de Guaita himself.

This being the nineteenth century, Stanislas de Guaita, it is said, could not condescend to use such a clumsy artifice as a waxen image, and, therefore, he employed the more modern engine of destruction known as the "flying spirit."

Abbe Boullan had an intuition of what was coming, and, though he had the utmost confidence in his own ability to ward off any such attacks, he nevertheless thought it well to consult a clairvoyant. She not only told him his suspicions were well founded, but she also described the weapon which Guaita intended to use against him. This weapon was a curious poison, the main ingredients of which were farina, meat, sacramental bread, mercury, animal extracts, human blood, acetate of morphine and the juice of an asp. As cholera is conveyed from Asia to Europe through a microbe, so this poison was to be conveyed into Abbe Boullan's body through the spirit of some dead person, which Guaita would summon from the nether world for that purpose.

Abbe Boullan knew that this was a deadly poison, and, therefore, in order to avert it, he donned his sacerdotal robes, set up an altar in his room and spent day and night in appealing for aid to Melchisedec and all other invisible ones whose assistance might prove beneficial to him. The struggle lasted for months, and terrible it was. When it was over the abbe's health was shattered, but he cared not, for he knew that he had prevailed in the fight.

From that day forth he bade defiance to Guaita and his poison. He died in Lyons in January, 1893, of heart disease.

The abbe had escaped, but the abominable poison was not to be cheated in this way. The flying spirit who bore it had been commissioned to lodge it in the vital part of a victim, and this command could not be ignored. Since, then, the abbe had proved invulnerable, there was only one logical course for the messenger of death to pursue, and that was to lodge the poison in the body of its master, Stanislas de Guaita.

As long as the abbe lived Guaita had no ground for fear, as he could always assume that the poison was working slowly, but when the abbe died a peaceful, natural death he had good cause for fear, as he knew that sooner or later the flying spirit would surely come back and kill him. We are not told whether he made any efforts to save himself; indeed, the closing days of his life seem to be shrouded in mystery. —N. Y. Herald.

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THE LATEST FASHIONS.

Pretty Waist Made by an Ingenious Girl from an Old One.

Princess House Gowns—How to Make Mother a Charming and Comfortable Bonnet—Military Jackets of Silk.

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"This waist that I have on," the young woman at the left of the accompanying

THE MILITARY JACKET.

illustration is saying to her companions, "is a rescue from the rag bag.

"I have a friend who is worth at least $40 a year to me. Not that I pay her that—oh, dear, no! She would be insulted at such a proposition, but, you see, it's this way: Whenever I have an old garment that I am going to throw away I send for her to come to dinner, and tell me how I can make my best dress out of it.

"For instance, last week I was about to dispose of an old green silk skirt, which had been made over until there was hardly anything left of it, when she happened to see it and stopped me.

"My dear," said she, "that will make you a lovely waist; don't think of throwing it aside. All you need is some black net at 50 cents a yard—and it won't take more than 2¼ yards—for a stunning waist to wear with your black skirt."

"Well, I did it, and it looked horrid until I got these two green silk bows on it—one at the neck and the other a few inches below at the left. The sleeves, fortunately, are small, for there wasn't much silk, and only just enough of it was left to make these small points at the wrist."

Her companion, who wore a brand-new waist, listened admiringly, for it's cost no less than $15, and here was a graceful waist for $1.25.

For the benefit of those who desire to go and do likewise it should be noted that the young woman had a fitted lining, which she had purchased ready-made and boned, and that she

A BECOMING BONNET.

wore plaited ruching inside her high collar. Her belt was made of green silk laid in folds.

Headgear for elderly people is always a difficult problem to solve, and is so much of a trouble to the old folks themselves that rather than spend time in selecting a new bonnet for every season—a diversion in which the average young woman delights—they prefer to wear the same old hat from year to year, with only a slight change of a facing which has become soiled or some other minor alteration.

The dutiful daughter, however, who likes to see her mother well dressed, may construct for her a pretty and becoming bonnet like the one in the illustration at comparatively little cost. A small wire frame, of the same general shape as the bonnet, is required—or it may be constructed of stiff canvas without very much trouble.

Black velvet is then puffed over the frame in the manner indicated, with little tufts of black thistles set at intervals around the edge, and with a big bunch of violets on each side of the coiffure at the back. A purple aigrette to match the violets gives the necessary height to the bonnet, and black velvet ties fasten it under the chin. A bit of jewelled or black-headed trimming to finish the edge at the back adds a dressy touch, which will look especially well if the wearer's hair happens to be white.

Comfortable and presentable are epithets which rarely apply to the same house dress at the same time, and when a designer succeeds after many struggles in producing a combination of the two good qualities, he scores a triumph, for which women express their gratitude by the flattery of imitation.

Here is one which combines comfort, grace and economy in a high degree. It is princess in cut—a style which lends itself best to the necessities of a house dress, and should always be adopted whenever fashion permits. Instead of fastening straight down the middle of the front as so many ungraceful gowns do, to the constant uneasiness of their wearers, it crosses to the left, surplice fashion, and apparently buttons all the way down the side seam, though in reality, of course, it

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is sewed up most of the way from the bottom. At the edge of the lapel which turns back all around the neck is a ruffle of knife-plaited silk, which extends down the side along the simulated fastening. A second ruffle is attached to a cap that passes over each sleeve, and more plaitings are sewed around the wrist to fall over the hand. An old dress which has been cut in princess fashion, can be made over in this way by the help of the fichu which covers up flaws of piecing and chance stains.

There is acertain style of pretty girl who always looks well in anything military or mannish—perhaps by force of contrast. It is unsafe for the girl of doubtful comeliness to trench on man's attire in the slightest degree, but the pretty girl dares anything in dress and is not often the worse for it.

The jacket here shown is sure to be becoming to a pretty girl, and is so softened with the fall of lace in front that she whose loveliness is even below par may venture to wear it. It is made of striped silk, with the stripes running horizontally and suggesting military braid. The plain, stiff lapels, which merge into a medici collar, are made of satin and trimmed with small brass buttons down the front. A leather belt to match the satin adds to the military effect, but the lace jabot and soft mull tie under the chin relieves the stiffness sufficiently for anybody of the most frivolous tastes. Lace also falls over the hand, in the correct and inconvenient manner of the prevailing fashion.

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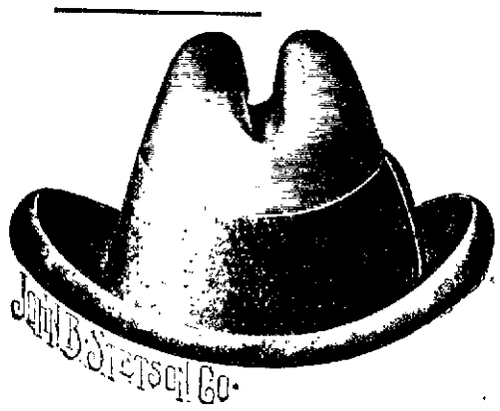

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Weariness of Metals.

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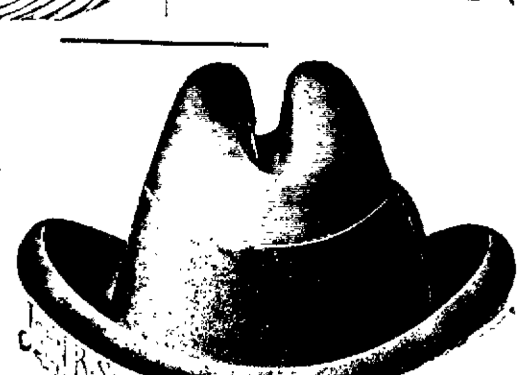

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A constitutionally lazy man is, in ordinary conversation, commonly said to be "born tired." This capacity for being fatigued by slight exertion was always supposed to be characteristic of animate bodies; but the scientists who have been probing with their microscopes, spectroscopes and other instruments into the molecular constitution of steel or iron, and testing their strength under varying conditions, have discovered that even such inanimate objects grow tired, and positively lose some of their strength and elasticity by long-continued subjection to one kind of stress or vibrations. When allowed to rest for a time these recuperate, and recover their original strength. This statement may seem fanciful and even absurd to the general reader, who is not well versed in scientific lore, but this observation has been made so often and has been so thoroughly proved by repeated laboratory tests, not only on a small scale conducted with the greatest care and accuracy, but also upon a large scale, with full-sized bridge members and other commercial forms of steel and iron, that it has become generally accepted by engineers as a positive and well understood law.—Philadelphia Record.

Bamboo Grown in California.

Bamboo grows very thriftily in California bottom lands and is found to be a very useful plant. The seed of many species resembles rice and is almost as valuable for food. The stock may be used in the building of bridges, fences, barns and in the manufacture of water pipes, furniture and boxes.—Chicago Chronicle.

LOTS OF TERRAPIN.

Seven Species of the Dainty to Replace the Diamond Back.

"Terrapin famine, you say? La, honey, I 'spect de Baltimo' folk tryin' to scare de New York people! Dere's no danger of a terrapin famine, even if every diamond-back down Chesapeake bay was to be stewed in his own juice, and nary a one left for seed."

It was Emeline Jones who spoke, in the sanctuary of her own kitchen, and everybody who knows of John Chamberlin's gastronomic glories will bow to the dicta of Emeline Jones. This paragon of the culinary art was Chamberlin's chief cook at the height of his career, when presidents resorted to his famous hotel at the national capital, and senators in the resturants were as thick as buttons on the bellboys.

"There are three kinds of fresh water terrapin and five kinds of salt water terrapin," she said, shaking her head with the nod of authority, "and they are all good to eat, all of 'em. But most folks don't know it, and, what's more, they wouldn't know how to cook 'em and dress 'em and serve 'em, even if they did know it."

The astounding news that there are seven other kinds of terrapin that can be dressed and served and eaten with gusto even should the world famous diamond back actually become extinct seemed to be worthy of the most careful investigation and verification. These are:

(A.) Fresh water terrapin, sometimes called tortoise: 1. The lettered tortoise, found all over the country, named for the hieroglphical markings on its shell. 2. The chicken tortoise, found far and wide in fresh water ponds and streams, and disrespectfully spoken of as the "slider." 3. The quaker tortoise, known by its long claws. These are all good to eat.

(B.) Their salt water brethren, the true terrapins, are: 1. The box terrapin, found all along the North American coasts. 2. The diamond back, found from New York to Texas in brackish streams near the sea shore. 3. The smooth terrapin. 4. The red belly, or red leg, found from New York to Virginia, and recognized by its serrated jaws. 5. The scabra, or rough terrapin, called the yellow-belly in the south, and tolerably plenty from Virginia to Florida waters.—N. Y. Sun.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

C. A. Kupfer has begun a $10,000 damage suit against Adolph L. Rienhardt in Logan county circuit court, not specifying the charges.

Given Up by Four Doctors.

Beaver Dam, O., Aug. 27, 1895.

My daughter, after being treated by four doctors, and being given up for lost, a neighbor recommended Foley's Kidney Cure. To day she is able to walk several miles without fatigue. I feel we would have lost her if it was not for your medicine. Respectfully,

MRS. J. M. BAILEY.

—H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

Don't forget about the performance if you would keep the friend obtained by a promise.

Going Down Hill.

People suffering from Kidney Disease feel a gradual but steady loss of strength and vitality. They should lose no time in trying Foley's Kidney Cure, a guaranteed preparation. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

Don't waste time trying to shave yourself with the razor your wife uses on her corns.

Foley's Honey and Tar Cough Medicine is unquestionably the best remedy for the throat and lungs. Pleasant to take and is GUARANTEED. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

Don't hit a man when he's down—unless you are very sure you can keep him down.

Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Don't imagine that the dude is higher up in the scale than the ordinary fool.

After years of untold suffering from piles, B. W. Purcell, of Knitnersville, Pa., was cured by using a single box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases, such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores, are readily cured by this famous remedy. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Don't believe that curling irons are responsible for all the curly hair.

We are anxious to do a little good in this world and can think of no pleasanter or better way to do it than by recommending One Minute Cough Cure as a preventive of pneumonia, consumption and other serious lung troubles that follow neglected colds. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Don't dote too much on a girl or an antidote may follow.

Children and adults tortured by burns, scalds, injuries, eczema or skin diseases may secure instant relief by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is the great Pile remedy. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Don't spend your money before you get it.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its duration can be cut short by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

MONEY TO LOAN

IN SUMS OF $500 TO $3,000,
SECURED BY MORTGAGE, ON
FAVORABLE TERMS. . . . .

PEDDECORD, BURROWS & CO.

People's Column.

Advertisements of Forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 25 cents per week, payable invariably in advance

For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

WANTED.

GIRL WANTED—To do general housework in the country. Apply Thursday and Friday at 798 Colfax street. WILLIAM LAKIN. 9-d1w*

WANTED—You to give us your orders for carpets to clean and feathers to renovate. Work called for and delivered free. Satisfaction guaranteed. Place of business, 630 Wabash ave, telephone 667. HAYES & ANTHONY. oct 13-dtf.

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 306. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19-dtf

WANTED—Agents to sell Murat Halstead's Great Cuba Book; all about Cuba, Spain and War; great excitement; everyone buys it; one agent sold 67 in one day; another made $13.00 in one hour. 600 pages; magnificent illustrations; photographs, etc., low price; we guarantee the most liberal terms; freight paid; 20 days credit; outfit free; send 6 two-cent stamps to pay postage. THE BIBLE HOUSE, 324 Dearborn St., CHICAGO. mar 8-d6t

AGENTS WANTED—For War in Cuba, by Senor Quesada, Cuban representative at Washington. Endorsed by Cuban patriots. In tremendous demand. A bonanza for agents. Only $1.50. Big book. Big commissions. Everybody wants the only endorsed reliable book. Outfits free. Credit given. Freight paid. Drop all trash, and make $300 a month with War in Cuba. Address today THE NATIONAL BOOK CONCERN, 352-356 Dearborn st., Chicago. Feb. 23-d4m

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—Good 8-room house, with stable, etc., and five acres of nice land; all kinds bearing fruit—adjoining city. Apply to JOHN A. BROWN, 142 South Main street. 10 d6

FOR RENT—A good nine-room house in 300 block on West Eldorado street; paved streets, on corner, shade, etc. Apply to JOHN A. BROWN, 142 South Main street. 10 d6

FOR RENT—A good seven-room house with stable, on fine well shaded lot, gas, city water, etc.; corner of Monroe and West North streets. Apply to JOHN A. BROWN, 142 South Main street. 10-d6

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE AT A GREAT BARGAIN—The three story stone and brick building, 20 and 22 Main street, Champaign, Ill., with lots running through to Taylor street, occupied by the firm of Eichberg & Baer, must be sold by March 15th on account of dissolution of firm. All offers to be considered must be made on or before March 15, 1898. Address MAX EICHBERG, 230 Fifth Ave., Chicago. 1-d2w

FOR SALE—Four room house, pantry and closets. East Lake finish; newly papered; will sell at a sacrifice. Call at No. 1760 North Clinton street; new 'phone 185.—27-tf

MONEY TO LOAN.

LOANS Of All Kinds Made by PEGRAM & CO.,
Room One, over Citizen's Nat. Bank.
Open Evenings Until 8 p. m.

ALBERT T. SUMMERS,
—LOAN BROKER,—
All Classes of Loans Negotiated.
145 North Water Street, DECATUR, ILL.

LOANS...
Rooms Nos. 1 and 2, 187 North Water street.
LOW RATES.
May 20-dtf GEO. W. EHRHART.

MISCELLANEOUS.

TELEPHONE O'd No. 200, New No. 300, for Potted Blooming Plants. Also Cut Flowers, in Roses, Carnations, Hyacinths, Violets, Lilies, Etc. N. BOMMERSBACH. Dec 7-dtf

CURRY & POOLE, MILK DEPOT,
Milk, Cream, Butter and Dressed Poultry, Wholesale and Retail, 451 North Water street, Decatur, Ill. Jan 24 dtf

PATENTS, TRADEMARKS, COPYRIGHTS, CAVEATS, on quickest and easiest terms. Am associate counsel for Louis Bagger & Co., 30 years' experience as Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C. All legal business promptly and carefully attended to. Loans. A. E. PARK, 152 E. Prairie street. NEW PHONE 672. Sept 7-dtf

SEE DILTS—If you are wanting a two, three or four inch tubular well, or your old wells made deeper. Well work of all kinds and sizes, from two inches to three feet. 728 N. Water or 1712 E. Prairie street. nov29 dtf

STEAMSHIP TICKETS to all parts of Europe; either first or second cabin, or steerage tickets, at the very lowest prices. PETER H. BRUECK, agent White Star Line and Hamburg-American Line, 215 N. Main. feb 1-dtf

IF you need a set of De Vinne Price Markers or Rubber Cushion stamp, plain or ornamental, supplies or anything in the Commercial Stamp line, order of J. M. Myers, proprietor of the Decatur Rubber Stamp Works, 301 S. Church street, Citizens' Phone, 117, Decatur, Ill. mar 1-dtf

THE Blue Grass Carriage shop. Your vehicle insured and stored at my risk free of cost, if repairs or repainting is necessary for spring use. Oceans of good dry room, and I want one to two hundred vehicles on these terms. Corner of East Main and Franklin streets. Jan6-dtf

R. O. ROSEN, Architect and Builder. Office Rooms 1 and 2, third floor, Review Building, North Main street.

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suits, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-dtf

RHEUMATISM CURED—For the past nine years I have suffered intensely with rheumatism and neuralgia. The last attack was very severe. After suffering for some time I was induced by a friend to take Cerrodanie Capsules without cessation. To my surprise they cured me in a short time. I recommend them to all who suffer with rheumatism or neuralgia. R. O. ROSEN, Architect, Decatur Ill. Prepared by The Cerrodanie Co., 21 Syndicate Block, Decatur, Ill.

FOUND AT LAST—A place where a pure old-fashioned sour mash copper distilled whisky can be bought direct from the manufacturer exactly like it was made fifty years ago, of V. D. Ross, manufacturer of the old Dantown Whiskey, made in Macon county, Ill. For medical purposes it has no equal. I will sell direct to consumers, from one gallon up at $2.50 per gallon, and will give dealers prices very reasonable. My motto has ever been "Quality and not quantity." All I ask is an examination of my goods. I sell no other except straight Dantown; on West Main street, a few steps west of the transfer house. No. 135, Decatur, Ill. Feb 10-d4w

Legal Advs.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss. In the Circuit Court.
MACON COUNTY

George V. Loring, Complainant, vs Emily J. Smith, et al, Defendants, In Chancery. No. 16603.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January term of said court A. D. 1898, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, March 15, 1898,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lots four (4) and five (5) in the subdivision of lot thirteen (13) in the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section ten (10) in township sixteen (16) north, range two (2) east of the 3d principal meridian, as recorded in Book 149 at Page 137 of the Plat Records of Macon county, Illinois, and more fully described as follows: Beginning 223 feet west and 150 feet south of the northeast corner of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 10, township 16 north, range 2 east of the 3d p. m.; thence running west 177 feet, to the east line of North Main street, thence north 80 feet, thence east 177 feet, thence south 80 feet to place of beginning in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 21st day of February, A. D. 1898.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
E. S. McDonald, Complainant's Solicitor.
feb. 21-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss. In the Circuit Court.
MACON COUNTY,

Charles C. LeForgee, Trustee, Complainant, vs. G. Edward Schulz et al., Defendants.—In Chancery, No. 16,649.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon County, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitle cause at the January term of said court, A. D. 1898, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will, on

Thursday, the 17th day of March, A. D. 1898,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the city of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: The north half of lot one (1), in block one (1) in William Martin's Second Addition to the City of Decatur, situate in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 22d day of February, A. D. 1898.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Le Forgee & Lee, Complainant's Solicitors.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss. In the Circuit Court
MACON COUNTY,

Benjamin A. Allison, Complainant, vs. James Lyons et al, Defendants—In Chancery, No. 16,578.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said court A. D. 1898, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Monday, March 21, 1898,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot seven (7) in Block two (2), of Harpstrite & Shlaudeman's Addition to the City of Decatur, situate in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 26th day of February, A. D. 1898.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
LeForgee & Lee, Com. Sol. [feb 26-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss. In the Circuit Court.
MACON COUNTY,

James F. Thomas, Complainant, vs. Benedict M. Brookshier et al., Defendants—In Chancery No. 16535.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macon County, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said Court, A. D. 1898, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, March 12, 1898,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot seven (7) of Mattie E. Blaine's Subdivision of Lots seven (7) and eight (8), in Block three (3), of Lake & Co.'s Addition of Outlots to the City of Decatur, situated in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 18th day of February, A. D. 1898.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Bunn & Park, Complainant's Solicitors.
Feb 18-d3w

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the circuit court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of James Murphey and against Mrs. Mary McNalley, I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Lot three (3), Block four (4), of B. H. Cassell's Second Addition to the City of Decatur, located in Macon county, State of Illinois. Taken as the property of Mrs. Mary McNalley, which I shall offer at public sale at the north door of the court house in Decatur, in Macon county, in said state, on the 16th day of March, A. D. 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for cash in hand to satisfy said execution.

This 24th day of February, A. D. 1898.

J. P. NICHOLSON,
feb 24-dtd Sheriff Macon County, Illinois.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Charles L. Griswold, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Charles L. Griswold, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 29th day of January, 189-.

CHARLES L. GRISWOLD, JR.,
29 d3w Administrator.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the Circuit Court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of John A. Dawson, assignee of the estate of Lewis H. Casner, and against Clara E. Walker nee Eyman, I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Lot four (4.) Block three (3,) of Kaufman's addition to the City of Decatur, Macon county, Illinois, taken as property of the said Clara E. Walker nee Eyman, which I shall offer at public sale at the north door of the court house in Decatur, in Macon county, in said state, on the 15th day of March A. D. 189-, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution.

This 21st day of February, A. D. 1898.

J. P. NICHOLSON,
feb 21-d3w Sheriff Macon County, Illinois.

Notice to Contractors.

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of C. M. Lytle, Decatur, Ill., until twelve o'clock noon of April first, 1898, for the following work:

A. For the erection and completion (except the steam heating and plumbing) of the Odd Fellows' Old Folks' Home to be erected at Mattoon, Ill., for the Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

B. For the steam heating of said building.
C. For the plumbing work in said building.
D. For the foundation work of said building.
E. For the enclosing of said building.
F. For the finishing of said building.

All tenders must be accompanied by a certified check in the sum of three (3) per cent of the bid for work under heading "A" and five (5) per cent of the bid for work under headings "B," "C," "D," "E" and "F."

Said checks are to insure the execution of the contract and bond by whomever the contract may be awarded to and are to be made payable to C. M. Lytle, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of said Home.

The successful bidder will be required to provide satisfactory bond in the sum of ten times the amount of the certified check to insure the full and faithful performance of the contract within the time specified.

Plans can also be seen at the offices of C. F. Mansfield, Monticello, Ill; W. R. Jewell, Danville, Ill; J. H. Raible, Alton, Ill.; H. A. Stone, Vandalia, Ill., Grand Secretary J. R. Miller, Springfield, Ill.; Office of James H. Harris, 1621 Monadnock Building, Chicago, Ill., also at the office of E. J. Hodgson, the Architect, Mattoon, Ill.

The committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

All bidders will be supplied with blank forms of proposals which must be filed properly else they will not be considered.

The architect will forward a set of drawings to any one upon receipt of a deposit of ten dollars. Seven dollars to be returned when plans are returned.

Feb 22-d1w C. M. LYTLE, Secretary.

Administrator's Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY,

In the County Court of the January Term, A. D. 1898

Josiah M. Clokey, Administrator of the estate of Mary F. Gordanier, deceased, vs. Irving W. Gordanier, Louis E. Gordanier, Albert A. Gordanier, Kittie L. Gordanier and The People's Savings and Loan Association—Petition to sell real estate to pay debts.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the county court of Macon county, of the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the January term, A. D. 1898, of the said county court, I, Josiah M. Clokey, administrator of the estate of Mary F. Gordanier, deceased, will on

Thursday, the 31st day of March, 1898,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit:

Lot twelve (12) in block nine (9), East Park Boulevards, situated in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, free from homestead and dower, on the following terms:

Terms of Sale—One-half cash in hand on day of sale, the remainder to be paid six months from day of sale, the deferred payments to be secured by the note or notes of the purchaser, or purchasers, with good personal security and a mortgage or mortgages, on the premises so sold, the deferred payments to bear six per cent. interest per annum from date of sale, with privilege on the part of purchaser or purchasers, of paying purchase money all cash. Premises to be sold subject to taxes for 1897.

Dated March 2, 1898.

JOSIAH M. CLOKEY.
Administrator of the estate of Mary F. Gordanier, deceased. march 2-d4w

Executrix' Sale of Real Estate.

By virtue of an order and decree of the county court of Macon county, Illinois, made on the petition of the undersigned, executrix of the estate of James F. Kazar, deceased, for leave to sell the real estate of said deceased at the February term A. D. 1898 of said court, to-wit: the 16th day of February, 1898, I will on

The 26th Day of March, A. D. 1898,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, sell at public sale at the north door of the court house in the City of Decatur in said Macon county, the real estate described as follows, to-wit: Lots 8, 9, 10 and 11, in Block 1, in Bellevue Place, in said Macon county; also an undivided one-half interest in Lot 1 and 2 feet off the east side of Lot 2, of Brown & Gehrman's Subdivision of Lots 1 and 2 of Block 10 in Allen, McReynolds & Co.'s Addition to the said City of Decatur; subject to incumbrances, for cash in hand on day of sale.

METELLA E. GOUKER,
Formerly Metella Kazar, Executrix of the Estate of James F. Kazar, deceased.
Decatur, Ill., Feb. 22, 1898. [23-d4w

SEALED BIDS.

Public notice is hereby given that the contract for the purchase of the supply of water pipe, fittings and specials, to be used by the City of Decatur, Illinois, during the year 1898 will be let to the lowest responsible bidder, and that sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk of said city from the date hereof until four o'clock p. m. of Monday, the 7th day of March, A. D. 1898.

The size of pipe required will be four, six, eight, ten, twelve and sixteen inch, and such specials and fittings as may be required.

Said pipes, fittings and specials to be delivered on board cars in said city.

Bids must separately state the price per ton for the different sized pipe and also state the price per ton for the whole amount required. Said bids must separately state the price for said fittings and specials.

A bond or certified check in the sum of two hundred dollars must accompany each bid.

All bids which conform to the above requirements will be submitted to the City Council, and said council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Dated this 25th day of February, A. D. 1898.
25-d10d JNO. A. REEVE, City Clerk.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that William R. Abbott and D. Holmes Cloyd, partners in the firm name of W. R. Abbott & Co., of the City of Decatur, in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, did, on the 2d day of March, A. D. 1898, transfer to the undersigned all of their property for the benefit of their creditors, except such as is allowed them under the exemption laws of the State of Illinois, according to the provisions of an act concerning voluntary assignments.

All persons having claims against the said William R. Abbott and D. Holmes Cloyd, partners as aforesaid, are hereby notified to present the same, under oath or affirmation, to the undersigned at the City of Decatur, within three months from the date hereof.

Dated this fifth day of March, A. D. 1898.

MICHAEL F. KANAN, Assignee.
March 5-d6w

EXECUTRIX NOTICE.

Estate of Joseph K. Love, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executrix of the estate of Joseph K. Love, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April, 1898, next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 16th day of February, 1898.

ELIZA J. LOVE, Executrix.
Feb 16-d3w

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Nancy J. Fisher, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of Nancy J. Fisher, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 17th day of February, 1898.

JESSE FISHER, Executor.
Feb 17-d3w

ILLINOIS CENTRAL EXCURSIONS.

One way settlers' rates to points south and southeast. Tickets on sale the 1st and 3d Tuesdays of each month.

Winter tourist rates to points south are now on. Final limit of June 1st, 1898.

For information or tickets write or call on W. L. Smith, Union Depot, or [illegible] nilwell, 121 E. William street, Decatur, Ill.

Railroad Column

R. R. TIME TABLES.

[Corrected to Nov. 15, 1897.]

Wabash Line

TO CHICAGO.		FROM CHICAGO.	
12	* 1:05 a m	13	* 3:55 a m
14	*11:45 a m	15	* 3:55 p m
16	† 9:20 a m	17	† 7:35 p m
TO ST. LOUIS.		FROM ST. LOUIS.	
3	* 4:05 a m	6	* 5:25 a m
11	* 7:00 a m	21	*11:25 a m
25	† 4:06 p m	14	*11:42 a m
15	* 4:00 p m	10	* 8:58 p m
1	*12:13 a m	2	*11:17 p m
7	* 7:20 p m	12	*12:55 a m
TO TOLEDO.		FROM TOLEDO.	
6	* 6:28 a m	1	*12:10 a m
4	*11:30 a m	7	* 7:17 p m
2	*11:20 p m	5	* 8:50 p m
10 FtW.ac.	†1:30 p m	3	* 3:20 a m
34 Eff. Acc.	†4:40 p m	11, From Ft W	†12:50 p m
		35 Eff. Accom	†10:45 a m
TO QUINCY.		FROM QUINCY.	
5	* 4:07 p m	4	*11:25 a m
13	* 4:10 a m	12	*10:50 p m
17 Spfd only	† 7:40 p m	16 from Spfg	† 9:15 a m
35	†10:55 a m	34 Effg. acm	† 4:35 p m
11 Bluff acm	† 7:05 a m	10 frm Bluffs	† 6:50 p m

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday.

PEORIA, DECATUR & EVANSVILLE RY.

Arrive from Peoria	Arrive from Evansville
A No. 1......10:35 a. m.	A No. 2......2:50 p. m.
D No. 3......10:10 p. m.	A No. 4......6:25 a. m.
A No. 11......2:30 p. m.	S No. 36......7 10 a. m.
Depart for Peoria	Depart for Evansville
A No. 2......3:00 p. m.	A No. 1......10:45 a. m.
A No. 4......6:35 a. m.	D No. 3......10:20 p. m.
S No. 36......7:20 a. m.	A No. 11......3:16 p. m.
A No. 10......10:35a. m.	

"A"—Daily Except Sunday. "D"—Daily. "S" Sunday Only.

Vandalia Line.

In effect Dec. 11, 1897.

DEPARTS EAST.

No. 84—Freight, ex. Sunday.......... 6:35 a m
No. 12—Except Sunday.......... 7:40 a m
No. 6—Except Sunday.......... 3:35 p

FROM TERRE HAUTE.

No. 7—Except Sunday.......... 10:45 a m
No. 83—Freight, ex. Sunday.......... 5:00 p m
No. 21—Except Sunday.......... 7:05 p m

DEPARTS WEST.

No. 5—Ex. Sunday.......... 7:00 a m
No. 85—Freight ex. Sunday.......... 7:50 a m
No. 7—Ex. Sunday.......... 10:55 a m

FROM PEORIA.

No. 6—Ex. Sunday.......... 3:20 p m
No. 86—Freight ex. Sunday.......... 4:10 p m
No. 4—Ex. Sunday.......... 9:30 p m

For complete Time Card, giving all trains and stations, and for full information as to rates, through cars, etc., address J. O. Millspaugh, T. P. A., Decatur, Ill., or E. A. Ford, Gen'l Pass. Agt., St. Louis, Mo.

Indiana, Decatur & Western Ry Co.

ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 1 Pass....*2:25 p m	No. 4 Pass...*10:55 p m
No. 8 Pass....*4:00 a m	No. 2 Pass...†11:30 a m
" 7 ....10:00 a m	" 8 ....2:40 a m
" 9 ....*8:00 p m	" 10 ....4:00 p m

*Daily. †Except Sunday

Illinois Central.

Corrected to November 28th, 1897.

No. 118 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman..... * 1:32 a. m.
No. 120 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman..... * 11:52 a. m.
No. 704 to Chicago via Champaign..* 6:10 a. m
No. 104 Main Line North.......... * 11:26 a. m.
No. 126 Main Line North.......... † 6:10 p. m.
No. 702 Champaign Line Mixed leaves..... † 2:45 p. m.
No. 117 Diamond Special to St. Louis via Pana.......... * 3:19 a. m.
No. 119 Daylight Special to St. Louis via Pana.......... * 3:37 p. m.
No. 125 Main Line South to Pana ...† 9:30 a. m.
No. 103 Main Line South to Cairo.. * 4:01 p. m.
No. 191 Local Freight South....... † 7:45 a. m.
No. 703 from Chicago via Champaign, arrives.......... * 9:55 p. m.
No. 701 from Champaign Mixed Train arrives.......... † 10:30 a. m.

*—Daily. †—Daily Except Sunday.

WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from all stations east of Mississippi River, except to points north of Bement on Chicago Division, Sundays at very low rates—good going and and returning Sunday only.

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Homeseekers' Excursions to principal points in the South, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month; good returning every Tuesday or Friday for 21 days. One fare, plus $2.00 for the round trip.

One way Settlers' tickets to the South sold on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at greatly reduced rates.

California tourists tickets, good returning nine months, with liberal stop over privileges in each direction, on sale daily.

Winter tourists tickets to the principal resorts in the south now on sale.

Call at the City Ticket Office for literature of the routes, rates, etc., of the Klondike Gold Fields.

Account Spring meetings of Merchants' Associations, at one and one third fare on certificate plan: St. Louis, sell Feb. 20 to 27; March 6 to 13; April 3 to 10. Chicago, sell Feb. 23 to March 2; March 30 to April 6. Milwaukee, sell Feb. 23 to March 2.

For full information regarding dates of sale limits of tickets, rates, maps and descriptive advertising matter, write or apply to C. A. Pollock, passenger and ticket agent Wabash railroad, Decatur, Ills.

I., D. & W. Railway Excursions.

Excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following points:

Home seekers excursions to principal points in the south, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Good returning every Tuesday or Friday for twenty-one days. One fare plus $2 for round trip.

One way settlers' tickets sold to the South on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at greatly reduced rates.

Winter tourist tickets to the principal resorts in the south now on sale.

For full information regarding dates of sale, limits of tickets, rate, maps and descriptive advertising matter write or apply to K. Harwood, General Agent, or C. A. Pollock, Ticket Agent I. D. & W. Railroad, Decatur, Ill.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the county court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of A. W. Wells and J. T. Wells, under the firm name of A. Wells & Son, and against Leonard H. Stout, I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: The undivided interest of Leonard H. Stout of lots twenty-two (22), twenty-three (23) and twenty four (24) in block one (1) of the village of Niantic, located in Macon County, State of Illinois, taken as property of the said Leonard H. Stout, which I shall offer at public sale at the north door of the court house in Decatur, in Macon county, in said state, on the 24th day of March, A. D. 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution.

This 3d day of March, A. D., 1898.

J. P. NICHOLSON,
mar 4-d3w Sheriff Macon Co., Ill.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Estate of Susan H. Abel, Debtor.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that Susan H. Abel, doing business under the name of Abel Carpet Wall-Paper Co., of the City of Decatur, in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, did, on the 12th day of January, 1898, transfer to the undersigned as assignee all her property, real and personal, for the benefit of her creditors, according to the provisions of the act concerning assignments.

All persons having claims against the said Susan H. Abel are hereby notified to present such claims under oath or affirmation to me at the City of Decatur, in said county, within three months from this date.

Dated this 21st day of January, A. D. 1898.

Jan. 21-d6w J. W. BACK, Assignee.

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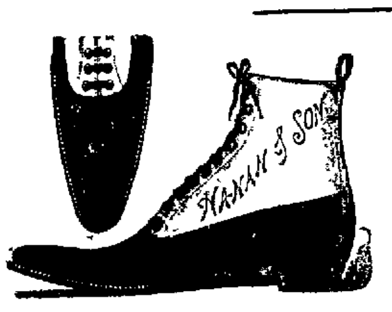

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LOCAL NEWS.

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Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. june 22-dtf

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Dunlap & Co.'s Spring Styles for 1898 now on sale at Bohon, McReynolds & Co. Feb 25 dtf

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Do you want plastering done If so telephone 528, new 'phone Decatur Hard Plaster Co. Perry & Oren —5 dtf

Go to Spencer & Lehman's for garden seeds. They are now in receipt of large invoices of fresh seeds from the most reliable houses in the country —m1-d&w8w

Try Wilber's Home Made Genuine Vienna Bread. Hot Tea Rolls every evening Wilber's Home Bakery, 211 North Main street. New telephone 493.—5 d1w

Collector Martin will close the tax office Saturday evening and turn the books over to County Treasurer Patterson.

The inventory of the W. R. Abbott & Co. stock of goods, filed in the county clerk s office, shows that the assets, including stock, accounts and notes, amount to $13,632.

Edward Day has opened an all night cafe at 146 East Prairie street

Bromoline will cure a cold while you sleep. No cure, no pay. 25 cents.

Mrs Stewart, who has been residing on a farm with her son, Clarence Stewart, has returned to the city and will live in Riverside place Clarence Stewart has gone west.

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Go to Spencer & Lehman's for wood pumps, iron lift pumps, force pumps, chain pumps and pump repairing —Mar. 1-d&wtf.

At 223 North Main street the largest stock of fresh bulk Garden Seed; also the greatest assortment of Flower Seeds ever brought to Decatur Sweet Peas and Nasturtiums in bulk. Durfee & Culp. feb 9 dtf

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DOG SHOW DATES.

It Will be Held at Abbott's Hall March 25th and 26th.

Maurice C Van Hall, the energetic manager of the dog show and fox chase, soon to be given in Decatur, is meeting with substantial encouragement from merchants and citizens generally. Abbott's Hall has been secured as the place for the bench show, which will be held day and evening on March 2 and 26 The posters are up giving the dates. Nearly every merchant is in it, and all offer special prizes of a tempting character. Mr Van Hall is in communication with owners of prize dogs and all will be in the show. There will be no entry fee charged for the dogs. Prizes worth nearly $400 will be offered.

Manager Van Hall says that he doesn't want the people to talk anything but dog, dog, dog, until after the show and the exciting fox chase

WANT GRAVEL ROADS.

Farmers Living Near Long Creek are Willing to Make Big Concessions.

The farmers living in the vicinity of Long Creek and Casner are anxious to have the roads graveled. They are in hopes that the commissioners will call a meeting and give them an opportunity to do something in that direction. The farmers who own their places and the renters are both willing to give a great deal for the sake of having the roads graveled. The farmers want the graveling to begin at the top of the hill just across the Cow Ford bridge and continue east toward Casner. The roads have been in such a bad condition for some time past that the farmers now appreciate the gravel roads and are anxious to have them in their neighborhood.

MANY PEOPLE CANNOT DRINK coffee at night. It spoils their sleep. You can drink Grain O when you please an l sleep like a top. For Grain-O does not stimulate, it nourishes, cheers and feeds. Yet it looks and tastes like the best coffee. For nervous persons, young people and children Grain-O is the perfect drink Made from pure grains. Get a package from your grocer today. Try it in place of coffee. 15 and 25c.

PICK-UPS.

Lodge Meeting.

Tonight is the regular meeting of Decatur Encampment No 37 There will be work in the patriarchical degree.

Has Been Postponed.

The "Chocolatiere" that was to be given by the Free Kindergarten association on Friday evening has been postponed for one week.

Magnum Opus Club.

The Magnum Opus club will meet with the president, Miss Hattie Brown tomorrow evening. Goldsmith will be studied and a review given of the works of Pope

Open Meeting.

The Shakespeare division of the Woman's club will hold an open meeting at the club rooms on Friday evening. Miss Elliott of the Psalemas division will give a talk on her recent European trip

Eckert-Huesing.

Miss Mamie Huesing, daughter of Henry Huesing, and Frank Eckert were married by Rev. Frank C. Oberly at his residence at 10 o clock this morning

A New Pastor.

Rev J C Keenan, who has been pastor of the Bethlehem and Shady Grove churches, has resigned and will take a position as pastor of the Presbyterian churches at North Fork and Argenta.

Preparing to Plant.

The farmers are beginning to prepare to plant small grain. The ground is being put in shape and if the warm weather continues some of the farmers will begin putting in the grain in a few days.

Shakspeare Division.

The members of the Shakespeare division of the Woman's club will give an entertainment next Friday evening at the club rooms. Miss Rose Elliott will speak on her recent trip abroad. All of the club members are invited to attend.

Will Locate in Atlanta.

Dr. A. R. Lyles, who came here some time ago from Beardsdale and established an office in the Loeb building will leave today for Atlanta, Ga, where he will enter into a partnership with Dr. Burt, a prominent physician of that place.

Pension Board.

At the meeting of the Decatur pension board Wednesday there were six applicants For original there were Newton Revis, Maroa, William A. Carter, Decatur, for increase, William H. Kuhn, Decatur; Augustus Glotz, Decatur, John M Burt, Decatur, Davis P. Churchman, Warrensburg.

Birthday Celebrated.

The home of 'Squire Hughes near Long Creek was the scene of a delightful social event Tuesday The squire entertained about 35 of his friends to celebrate the 65th birthday of his wife An elegant dinner was served and the guests passed a delightful afternoon

Revivals Closed.

Rev. A. M. Danely, who has been conducting revival meetings at his churches for the past 11 weeks, has closed the services. He will now devote spare time to lecturing to the young people of his own church and also to the young people's league of the Harristown church.

Will Leave Town.

The old beggar, who has daily sat on his camp stool in some protected niche in the business part of the city during the entire winter will shortly leave town. The people have become hardened to his seeming sufferings and as business for him is not so profitable as it once was he will seek a new and more favorable location.

Will Entertain at Dinner.

Attorney and Mrs I A. Buckingham will entertain at dinner this evening the attorneys who won the recent suit for Mr. Buckingham in the case of Arthur against Buckingham and Schroll. The guests will be Mr. and Mrs J. M. Gray, Mr and Mrs. I B Mills and Mr and Mrs. Charles Leforgee. The dinner will be followed by an evening at the Decatur club.

Asphalt Committee.

D L. Bunn, J. W Carter and Elmer R. Culver have been selected by the property owners on North Church favorable to the paving of that street with asphalt, to look after their interests. The promoters have secured nearly the required amount of property frontage to request the improvement and it is confidently expected that at a meeting soon to be held many more signatures will be secured.

Death of a Child.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs C. E. Surface died of cyanosis Wednesday at the family home, 1174 East Herkimer street, aged seven days The funeral took place this afternoon at 1.30 o'clock from the residence and the burial was at Greenwood cemetery.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Albert St. Clair died last night at the family residence in the 1500 block on North Church street The time of the funeral has not been decided upon.

Case Continued.

Allen Farr was before Justice Shorb this morning to answer a charge of stealing a set of harness from Henry Smook. Attorney J. H. Latham appeared to prosecute and Attorney Redmon to defend The case was continued until next Wednesday.

Funeral of Patrick Houran.

The funeral of the late Patrick Houran will be held tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock from St. Patrick's Catholic church The services will be conducted by Rev Father Brady and the burial will be at Greenwood cemetery.

To Keep the Peace.

Frank Cain was before Justice Provost this morning He was charged with having threatened his wife. Attorney J. H Latham prosecuted the case. The 'squire put Cain under a bond of $50 to keep the peace for ten days and the man went back to jail

O. E. S.

Regular meeting Decatur Chapter, No 111, O E S., this (Thursday) evening at 7 30 o'clock. A special election will be held to fill the vacancy in the office of secretary Visiting members cordially invited Mrs Myra M. Nixon, W. M, S J Steele, Secretary.

Will Serve the Banquet.

The Woman s Business and Social Union held a meeting at the close of the prayer meeting service at the First M E. church last evening and decided to take charge of and serve the banquet to be given by the Christian Endeavor society in celebration of their 11th anniversay on March 18

Thimble Party and Luncheon.

Mrs J H Sears of East Eldorado street gave a thimble party and luncheon this afternoon. Those present were Mrs Silas Packard, Mrs. D. H Conklin, Mrs George Haworth, Mrs W. Armstrong, Mrs M. W Shultz, Mrs. E B Randle, Mrs J H. Randall, Mrs. F D. Hays, Mrs W M. Catto, Mrs J M Maris, Mrs. John Mark, Mrs Mary Taggart, Miss Schuler.

Will Go to Pittsburg.

Mrs Charles Cline will leave in about one week to join her husband at Pittsburg, Pa. Mr. Cline some time ago accepted the position as buyer for a large Pittsburg dry goods house and was formerly connected with the Linn & Scruggs Co He is very much pleased with his situation at Pittsburg

Household Economics.

The class in household economics will meet tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o clock in the parlors of the First Presbyterian church The lesson on meats, which was to have been given at the postponed meeting will be carried out The topics on bread, the subject of the last meeting, which were not given will be read tomorrow.

Will Probably Go to Elwin.

Rev A Morrison, formerly pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Long Creek, went to Elwin yesterday to meet and confer with the church board at that place regarding a call which has been extended to him to take charge of the Presbyterian church at Elwin and of two other churches each about six miles south of Elwin Rev. Morrisson will probably take the three charges and begin his new duties at once.

Class in Literature.

The class in the Chicago Record literature study met at the First Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon at 2 30 o'clock. The subject for study at the meeting was "Milton and His Works" Mrs Knight led the discussions. One thing the class learned in the study of Milton was that he was one of our most religious poets His "Paradise Lost" was thoroughly discussed. Several of the members of the class talked for a few moments on Frances Willard. The topic for study at the next meeting is Alexander Pope. Miss Ida Lou Francis, leader.

The Boy Traveler.

In a few days more Harry Steele Morrison, the boy traveler who is world renowned, will be with us Surely all young people and old ones, to, for that matter, will await this event with pleasant anticipations. It isn't every day that we have a chance to hear a mere youth tell about an experience so marvelous as Harry Morrison's has been We cannot imagine how he ever managed to spend seven months in foreign lands on $25, but we suppose we'll hear on Tuesday night. In the meantime we are hoping that he will receive such a welcome as no lecturer has ever had before in Decatur. Think about it.

A BIG CARD.

Great Thief-Catching Dog to be at the Bench Show.

Manager Van Hall says that Zeno, the great African blood hound, which has run down over 700 criminals, will be one of the chief attractions at the Decatur dog show, March 25 and 26.

SKIPPED THE TOWN

T. A. Cleage, Grain Dealer, Has Disappeared.

WAS ARRESTED YESTERDAY

For Embezzlement but Settled and Left the City Last Night, Leaving Behind Debts—He Had a Roll of Money.

T. A Cleage, a grain dealer who had offices on the second floor of the Fenton block, left the city last night leaving behind unpaid debts He was arrested about 4 o clock yesterday afternoon for embezzlement just as he was trying to get away and after settling the matter he managed to get away on a later train This morning the furniture in the o[illegible] had been moved out

Mr Cleage came to Decatur and [illegible] his offices last December He was fr[illegible] that time until the fourth of M[illegible] the local representative of [illegible] and Company grain dealers of St [illegible] During that time Cleage seemed to do a good business Since severing his connection with the firm of [illegible] Price and Company he has been dealing with [illegible] van and Company also of St [illegible] It now appears that he has [illegible] his customers when they made [illegible] deals, and that he has been [illegible] of moderate means to [illegible] him One of his victims was Albert Kringler a young man who drives a grocery wagon Cleage owed Kringler about [illegible] which he refused to pay on the grounds that Kringler had lost on another deal [illegible] ler, in order to get his money, swore out a state warrant against Cleage charging him with embezzlement and the warrant was put in the hands of Constable John Lloyd for service

The constable was just in time to capture Cleage for the latter was leaving the Fenton building with the evident intention of taking a car and getting to the depot in time to catch the afternoon train to St Louis. Lloyd, however stopped Cleage and served the warrant on him and then took his man to the office of Justice Smith Cleage told several different stories in regard to the money At the office of the justice he said that he could furnish bond and the constable went out with him and Cleage began his hunt for bondsmen It was evident to the constable that the prisoner was not going to find any bondsmen so he told his man that he must either pay up or else go to jail Cleage decided that it would be best to pay so he handed over the $[illegible] and was released Constable Lloyd says that when Cleage paid he had a big roll of money which included several $[illegible] bills There is another young man whom Cleage owes $60 who intended to swear out a warrant this morning

Early last evening the furniture in Cleage's office, consisting of chairs and several tables, was moved out [illegible] Just what was done with it is not known Cleage himself left at 7 30 p m on the St Louis train He leaves behind him a number of unpaid debts The operator who was employed by Cleage in his [illegible] says that a part of his wages has not been paid and that he understood that Cleage owed one man between $[illegible] and $300 Cleage evidently thought this the best thing for him to do since his creditors had begun pushing him to get out of town Those [illegible] will probably never get any of their money for it is not likely that Cleage will come back to Decatur soon again

The Last Call.

The tax collector s office must close March 10 If you have not paid your personal taxes you should call at once and pay them Office second floor court house Open evenings. [illegible]

No Declaration of War.

But a declaration that is [illegible] true, that we have fresh oysters [illegible] express, in bulk and can for stews, scallops and frying Pearl Oyster and Fish Co Tels 344.—9 d4t

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ALL READY FOR WAR

Money Talks--Increase of Army Activity.

GUNS FOR COAST.

Officials Gliven Orders for Prompt Preparation.

Lively Times at Washington and at the Ordnance Factories—Men Working Night and Day—Looks Like Trouble Ahead.

Washington, March 11 —Negotiations are proceeding for the purchase of the Brazilian cruisers Amazonas and Barbozo by the United States

Negotiations for the purchase of two Japanese cruisers under construction at Philadelphia and San Francisco, are off, owing to the delicate aspect of affairs between Russia and Japan It is felt that the needs of Japan are quite as urgent as those of this country.

Preparing for Coast Defense

Washington, March 11 —Secretary Al ger has authorized the chief of ordnance to make arrangements at once for procur ing a large number of rapid fire guns for coast defense The ordnance bureau will take all such guns that can be procur d within a reasonable time, and they will be sent to seacoast fortifications as rapid ly as they are secured They consist of auxiliary defense supplementing the lig guns Contracts for carriages for these guns are also authorized The army gun factory at the Bethlehem Iron Works, and the Driggs Ordnance Co and the American Ordnance Co are among the [illegible] which responded to inquiries of the de partment concerning the capacity of the turnout of this class of ordnance It i admitted by the department that direc tions have been given the various arse nals of the government to increase th working force to the full capacity t hurry the completion of existing pro jects, and the ordnance firms having gov ernment contracts have arranged to wor night and day, and arrange for increased orders

FURTHER ACTIVITY

Orders for small arms and ammunitio have already been placed with the Unio Metallic Cartridge Co Bridgepor Conn, and with the Winchester Arm Co, of New York Negotia tions for a large supply of sma arms and army accouterments are in pro gress They have been given the cue be called on to make all they can

The headquarters of one of the ne artillery regiments will be Fort McHenr Baltimore harbor, instead of at Fort Wad worth, N Y., as originally intende Fort Slocum will be headquarters for th other.

General Greely, chief signal officer, h been given authority to proceed witho regard to ordinary restrictions to esta lish rapid telegraph connections betwe the seacoast fortifications This port of the service is found to be very defe tive For instance, in New York harb it takes three quarters of an hour to co municate from one battery to anothe The only means of communication b tween Washington and its chief defens of work at Fort Washington on the Po mac is by messenger.

Officers of the navigation bureau busy translating cipher messages receiv over night. They are presumably relat to the purchase of ships abroad.

The naval committee of the ho placed in the naval bill a provision for increase of 478 in the number of marin bringing the total up to 8078. Thi